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Vadalabene calls it quits after 26 years

Sen. Sam Vadalabene, the Edwardsville Democrat whose 26-year legacy as a lawmaker is commemorated by bikeways, streets and a university building, will not seek re-election next year.

Vadalabene cited the ill health that has kept him from Springfield the past 14 months and a desire to spend more time with his family as the major reasons for his decision.

"I am not afraid to run, but I want to go out more like a statesman," he said Wednesday.

"This was one of the toughest decisions I ever had to make. This is a job that I love, and to step away from it is not going to be easy," Vadalabene said.

"I wanted to give someone the same opportunity and the same honor I had to be chosen by the people of this district to serve as their state senator. In my mind there is no better job."

Vadalabene's decision is expected to increase the field for the primary, with retiring Madison County Clerk Evelyn Bowles, one of the area's longtime top vote-getters, reportedly considering entering the race.

"I'm really sorry to see Sam go, and we're losing the services of



Sam Vadalabene

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McKinley nightmare to end

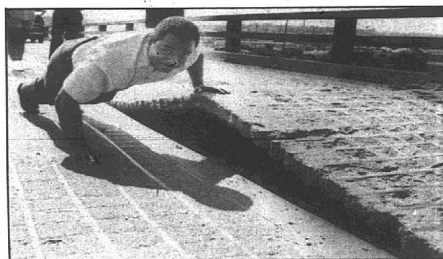
By Bob Slate
Staff writer

On the same day that construction began on the Poplar Street Bridge, causing major traffic tie-ups for commuters, the final piece of local funding was put in place to go ahead with an \$8 million McKinley Bridge improvement project.

The Madison County Transit District voted unanimously Friday morning to contribute \$282,000 to the local share of the McKinley Bridge improvement project. McKinley, owned by Venice, crosses the Mississippi River to link Venice and St. Louis.

The \$282,000 figure matched the shortfall in the 20 percent local share needed to qualify for \$5.9 million in federal funds obtained by U.S. Rep. Jerry Costello in the Interstate Surface Transportation Enhancement Act (ISTEA) of 1991.

"I drive over the (McKinley) bridge often. In fact, I just used



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Tyrone Q. Echols, acting McKinley Bridge manager, looks underneath a buckled portion of the bridge deck in June.

the bridge Tuesday morning. Anyone who uses that bridge can tell you that it's like an experience out of 'Friday the 13th'."

Costello said Friday when announcing the MCT pledge.

The rough surface of the bridge is described as a "nightmare" by some drivers.

The federal funds will be combined with \$900,500 provided by the city of Venice; \$737,500 from the state of Illinois; and the transit district pledge.

The money will provide improvements to a quarter-mile stretch of the two center lanes of the mile-long, four-lane bridge, said Bridge Consultant Tom Fields.

Fields said construction on the project, which is expected to take about 12 months to complete, could begin as early as Oct. 1, 1994.

The project includes removal of railroad ties and tracks in the center lanes. Fields said the tracks cause a "washboard" effect on the bridge deck.

Also included will be replacement of the central road deck, and installation of guardrails that meet 1993 federal standards along the outside lanes.

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District gives away flowers

Winter is coming and the gardens of the Granite City Park District in Wilson Park need to be prepared for a winter's rest.

Once again, on Saturday, annual flowers were given away, freeing space needed to mulch perennials for winter.

Although rose cuttings have been given out in the past, they were not given out this year because the plants are under stress due to heavy rain.

Although the plant give-away was Saturday, head gardener Bill Monical said there are always plants left over. "They never clean us out completely, so come by and check to see what we have left," he advised.

Monical added that persons should bring their own containers and noted that "mums are not annuals."

The distribution list included Lisianthus, Marigolds, Pinwheel Zinnia, Mexican Heather, Impatiens, Cooper Leaf, Coleus, Geraniums, Vinca Minor, Trailing Vinca, Annual Hibiscus Snap Dragons and others.



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Pink begonias are some of the annuals that the Granite City Park District gave away Saturday at its annual flower give-away.

Man shoots self to avoid arrest

He was wanted on rape charge in Missouri

A 38-year-old Granite City-area man shot himself in the head Thursday afternoon when authorities tried to serve him with a felony warrant.

Stephen M. Ruminer, of the 3200 block of Miracle Avenue just outside of Granite City, struggled with two deputies from the Madison County Sheriff's Department and then shot himself in the head at his home at about 3:45 p.m. Thursday, Chief Deputy Bud Galloway said.

Ruminer was listed Friday afternoon in critical but stable condition in the Intensive Care Unit at St. Elizabeth University Hospital, a hospital spokesman said.

Deputies went to Ruminer's home in an attempt to serve him with a felony warrant out of Doniphan. No charging him with forcible rape, Galloway said. Bond on the warrant was \$100,000.

One deputy guarded the back door while another entered the

front door and confronted Ruminer with the warrant, sheriff's officials said.

"(Ruminer) grabbed a nearby handgun, displayed it, faced off with deputies who tried to disarm him, went into another room and shot himself," Galloway said.

Ruminer was taken by ambulance to St. Elizabeth Medical Center and later transferred to SLU Hospital.

Galloway said no formal internal investigation into the incident will be conducted.

"Everything apparently went according to procedure. Everything has been reviewed. Fortunately, we didn't have to shoot him and he didn't shoot one of our officers," Galloway said.

Asked why Ruminer would have a loaded handgun nearby, Sheriff Bob Churchich said Ruminer had apparently been receiving threats from the parents of the child he had allegedly raped.

Plot gone sour theorized in killing

Former Granite City resident JoAnn Dietzel may have been the victim of a murder-for-hire plot that backfired, sources close to the investigation said.

Dietzel was found beaten and strangled in her Foster Township home in Madison County on July 13, 1992.

Sources said last week that authorities are now speculating that she may have been murdered as she plotted to have her estranged husband, Terry Dietzel, killed.

Officials said two area men, Terry Ridenour, 34, of Godfrey and Edward Miller, 37, formerly of Jersey County, have been charged with first-degree murder. Both men are accused of strangling Dietzel with a necktie and beating her with a baseball bat.

Father doubts theory, 2A

Ridenour, who lived near JoAnn Dietzel, was arrested at his Humbert Road home early Wednesday. Miller talked about the Dietzel murder after he was arrested on burglary charges in Monroe, Wisc., about two weeks ago, Madison County State's Attorney William Haine said.

The two suspects are being held without bond. Sheriff Bob Churchich said Friday that his department was first contacted about Miller on July 15 by officials of the DeKalb County, Ill., Sheriff's Department, who said that Miller, in custody at their facility at

the time, wanted to provide information to Madison County authorities on an unsolved homicide.

Miller would not be specific at that time as to what case he was referring to, Churchich said. Miller wanted immunity from prosecution on the case and a dismissal of his current charges in DeKalb County and Greene County, Wisc., before he would supply any additional details on the unsolved homicide.

Attempts were made to negotiate with Miller for the information and during this process it was established by Sheriff's detectives and Illinois criminal laboratory officials that Miller, through fingerprints, was involved in the Dietzel murder, Churchich said, adding that specific mention of the area where his fingerprints were found will not be made.

The fingerprint evidence, along with other investigation then led to the charge being filed on Miller on Sept. 20.

Churchich said the investigation will be continuing; however, no additional arrests are expected, he added.



JoAnn and Terry Dietzel at their wedding.

JoAnn Dietzel was reportedly seen with the suspects the night before her body was found by her eight-year-old daughter and a baby sitter.

"She voluntarily let these men into her home," the source said. (See PLOT, Page 2A)

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25 years ago

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More than 950 members of Chemical Workers International Union Local 50 are on strike today at the Blast Furnace Department of Granite City Steel as the result of deadlock negotiations over union wage demands.

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Murder victim's dad decries authorities' conspiracy theory

The father of murder victim JoAnn Dietzel says it is ludicrous to believe that she was killed in a botched murder-for-hire plot.

"I don't believe it," said Frank Onesty of Glen Carbon. "I don't know what happened that night, but that doesn't make one bit of sense. JoAnn was not capable of that."

Dietzel, 32, formerly of Granite City, was found murdered inside her Bethany Lane home in Foster Township July 13, 1992. Two men, Terry Ridenour, 34, of Godfrey, and Edward Miller, 37, formerly of Jerseyville, have been charged with first-degree murder and are being held without bond.

Sources close to the investigation say Dietzel may have been murdered as she plotted to have her estranged husband, Terry Dietzel, lured to the house and killed.

Onesty said his daughter had indicated to him that she was at times afraid of Terry Dietzel because they were going through a divorce.

"She was afraid," he said.

"JoAnn thought she was tough sometimes but she really wasn't. She only weighed 94 pounds. What could she possibly have to gain from having someone killed?"

Terry Dietzel declined to comment on the alleged murder plot, but his attorney, J. William Lucio of Edwardsville, has said Dietzel raised the question of the murder-for-hire plot early in the investigation.

The Monroe Police Department reportedly contacted the Madison County Sheriff's Department when Miller wanted to admit his alleged knowledge of the murder.

Miller implicated Ridenour after Haine's office agreed to seek no more than a 50-year prison sentence in exchange for Miller's guilty plea and testimony against Ridenour.

A source close to the investigation said Miller may have agreed to talk about the murder in an attempt to get out of the burglary charges in Wisconsin. The source said Miller may also have planned to pin the murder entirely on Ridenour.

Miller's palm print apparently matches one found on a broken baseball bat that was stuck in Dietzel's abdomen, sources said. Haine said Miller asked for immunity in exchange for his testimony but prosecutors refused.

Sources also said Miller indicated he thought Ridenour may try to kill Miller's wife because she had knowledge about Dietzel's murder.

Haine said Miller and Ridenour are related but he was unclear if they are step-brothers or brothers-in-law.

JoAnn Dietzel was reportedly seen at a convenience store in Godfrey buying beer with one of the suspects the night before her body was found. Authorities also said she allowed the men inside her house voluntarily.

Her father said it is relieved the suspects are in custody.

"I'm happy," Onesty said. "I'm glad it's over. The sheriff's detectives did a really good job. I still don't know what happened, but I owe them a lot of thanks for catching the people who did this to my daughter."

— From the Alton Telegraph

Plot

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"It is now suspected she may have wanted them to kill her estranged husband."

"For some reason, things went haywire and they turned on her. It may have gotten out of control. She made several phone calls trying to locate (Terry Dietzel) that night to have him come over but she was never able to get in touch with him."

Terry Dietzel, who was questioned early in the investigation before he passed a lie detector test, declined comment on the murder-for-hire plot.

"I can't comment on that," Dietzel said Wednesday. "I don't know anything about that. I can say that I'm glad it's over with."

His attorney, J. William Lucio, said Terry Dietzel raised the question of the murder-for-hire plot early in the investigation.

"There were things known to Terry that made him think that," Lucio said. He would not elaborate and declined further comment.

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"I owe a lot of thanks to the Madison County Sheriff's Department and the State's Attorney's Office," Dietzel said. "They have found the (suspects). I have to say I'm relieved."

Miller turned on Ridenour Tuesday after Madison County officials refused to give him immunity in the case, Haine said.

"We did not have the immunity pitch," he said.

Haine said Miller implicated Ridenour after Madison County Assistant State's Attorney/Robert Truce agreed to seek no more than a 50-year prison sentence in exchange for Miller's guilty plea.

The Sheriff's Department should be commended for excellent police work," Haine said.

"Everyone did an excellent job, including Bob Trone," Haine

said. "Several trips were made in this case to get where we are."

Haine declined to comment on the murder-for-hire plot.

Ridenour, arrested late Tuesday, appeared in court Wednesday. He pleaded guilty to murder when formal charges were read.

Miller was charged earlier and was being held in Wisconsin. First-degree murder is punishable by 20 to 60 years in prison. Haine said prosecutors will seek an extended sentence if Ridenour is convicted because of the brutality involved in Dietzel's murder.

Her grandmother, Agnes Onesty of Madison, said she was relieved suspects were in custody.

"I'm glad they found the people responsible, but it still doesn't bring JoAnn back," she said. "I owe the Sheriff's Department a lot of gratitude and thanks for following up on it."

"I just wish I knew why they killed her. I hope they get what's coming to them."



(Staff photo by FAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Poster winners — Winners at Maryville School for the DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) poster contest sponsored by the Family Festival '93 Drug Free Lifestyle program are, from left, Dory Farmer, Jessica Riskovsky, Melissa Wesley, Nadine Buckingham and Jeff Holliday.

Madison looking at athletic facilities at recreation center

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

A year or so ago, some neighborhood kids asked Madison Alderman Richard George if they could use the basketball court in his back yard.

George said OK and set up some rules for its use.

As a result, about a dozen and a half basketball players are in his back yard almost every evening.

On Tuesday, George told the City Council that the popularity of his yard shows that the area's kids are desperate for recreation areas.

"Don't get me wrong, I would rather have 150 kids in my back yard — if it would hold them — than have those kids out wandering the streets," George said.

George said the city should put the outdoor basketball goals back up at the Madison Recreation Center.

He said he knew there had

been complaints from neighbors when the goals were up before, but George said the city could solve that by setting up rules for their use and seeing that the rules are followed.

"I set the rules for my back yard and the rules are followed. So it can be done," George said.

"If we're serious about helping the kids, we must get the basketball goals back up."

Alderman Ron Grzywacz said he was working with Recreation Director Jimmy Broadway and Alderman John Hamm to see about fixing the pavement at the center's court area and establishing an in-line roller skate (rollerblade) hockey league.

But Hamm, whose contracting firm does paving, said if the court is to be made smooth enough for skating, it will have to be completely repaved.

He said the cracks in the courts are too severe to just fill in and seal over for skating, but added that filling and sealing would provide a surface suitable for basketball.

Mayor John Bellico said the

Tri-City Area YMCA had formerly run basketball games at the old Madison Junior high school.

The mayor asked Hamm and Alderman Ed Newsome — both members of the Madison School Board — if the school district would be willing to have the same kind of program at the Madison Middle School. Both said they were sure such a proposal would be considered.

Bellico and Grzywacz also asked if the school district would consider replacing the outside basketball goals it removed from the playground on Second Street. George said those were all wonderful ideas and he hoped they would be pursued.

"But getting back to the basketball goals at the recreation center: Can we put them back up? And if not, why not?" George asked. "This is something that needs to be done."

Bellico said Friday that the goals will be replaced as soon as the cracks in the court can be repaired.

Child welfare veto sparks protest

SPRINGFIELD — Rep. Jay Hoffman's bill to change the way the state's child welfare system operates could result in delayed counseling services to families and arbitrary removal of children from homes, critics say.

A coalition of child and family welfare organizations voiced support for a veto by Gov. Jim Edgar which scrapped most of the bill, including a requirement for court reviews of decisions to leave children in homes after investigations of alleged child abuse.

Hoffman, who contends the Department of Children and Family Services needs outside oversight, said he will push for an override of the veto.

Representatives of the Child Care Association of America, the Catholic Conference of Illinois, the National Association of Social Workers and the American Civil Liberties Union held a news conference to back Edgar's action and say the groups would lobby against an override.

The groups said in a statement that the bill would "tangle an already troubled child welfare system into further chaos," causing more harm than good. "The bill is certainly a disaster," said Mary Dixon,

legislative director for the American Civil Liberties Union in Illinois.

The expanded court reviews could violate a federal court consent decree in a ACLU lawsuit brought against DCFCS and the state's juvenile justice system.

But Hoffman cites the death of 2-year-old Michael Cecil of Wood River as an example of alleged DCFCS mistakes that could be prevented by court reviews.

A DCFCS caseworker and supervisor were fired because the agency had found previous evidence of abuse against Michael but took no steps to remove him from the home. The boy's mother, Kathy Cecil, and her boyfriend, Keith Bennett, have been charged with murder in the death.

Child Care Association of Illinois Executive Director Ron Moorman said his group and others opposing the override of the governor's amendatory veto support language left in by Edgar for a new law requiring DCFCS to remove a child in imminent danger. Moorman argued the bill co-sponsored by Hoffman would result in thousands of children

who are not at serious risk either not getting family preservation preventive and counseling services or arbitrarily being removed from homes.

The bill would require DCFCS to apply within 48 hours of finding evidence of alleged abuse for a court order to provide prevention services to the family.

The stipulation would not apply to abuse involving excessive corporal punishment. Moorman said the coalition, many of whose members have contracts with DCFCS to provide those services, were concerned that neither DCFCS nor the courts could respond in that time and the prevention efforts would simply be denied, putting children at further risk.

Graham Thompson, director of the Family Circle program for the Catholic Diocese of Springfield, was among those joining the news conference opposing the override.

"We work with families where the children have been in foster care for six or seven years and we are concerned that if this bill becomes law those children would be forgotten in the system again," Thompson said.

— From the Alton Telegraph

Man indicted on cocaine charge

A 26-year-old Venice man, on probation for a drug possession offense earlier this year, has been indicted on federal drug distribution charges.

The distribution charges were filed under a new law designed to ensure a "safe" educational environment.

A federal grand jury in East St. Louis indicted Anthony Newton, of the 1200 block of Robin Street in Venice, in a two-count indictment charging him with distribution of crack cocaine within 1,000 feet of a public school.

The alleged school-area offense took place in Venice in May.

If convicted, Newton could face five to 80 years in prison and/or a fine of \$2 million on each count.

The drug-free/gun-free school zone initiative is a program of the U.S. Attorney's Office in cooperation with Madison County State's Attorney Bill Haine and St. Clair County State's Attorney Bob Haid.

The initiative is designed to help guarantee an

educational environment free of the distractions, dangers and fears caused by the presence of illegal drugs and guns at or near schools.

Federal and state laws provide for enhanced penalties when certain drug and weapon offenses are committed on or within 1,000 feet of school property.

The Metropolitan Enforcement Group of Southwestern Illinois conducted the investigation.

Venice Police Sgt. Theo Adams said Newton was serving 18 months of probation as a result of an earlier drug possession arrest in Venice this year.

In the earlier possession case, on March 1, Venice police arrested Newton in a white 1982 Chrysler on the parking lot of Bob's Red Fox, 420 Broadway.

A search of the car turned up a clear plastic baggie containing 9.7 grams of cocaine base, Adams said.

The car was subsequently seized by the city and sold, Adams said.

Salvation Army gets \$5,000 gift

A gift of \$5,000 has been given to the Salvation Army in memory of Eleanor Hobson by her daughter, Janet Kief.

Hobson was born in Granite City and lived here until her death Aug. 2, 1993.

— From the Alton Telegraph

The Greater Tri-Cities Area Lenders Group

AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM

Home ownership brings stability to neighborhoods and gives people a stake in their town. To make the dream of home ownership a reality, a group of local lenders has created an affordable housing program for the Tri-Cities area. The program targets persons purchasing single family owner occupied homes for \$40,000 or less.

For Program details please contact one of the following Financial Institutions or a member of the Granite City Board of Realtors.

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'Bulldozer' leaves

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

"I'm retiring. I'll do what I want, when I want, if I want the words on the bulldozer," said John Jakich's lapel.

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During that time, Jakich was responsible for getting derelict buildings torn down.

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By Mike Myers
Staff writer

The Granite City School Board approved a \$37.1 million budget for the 1993-94 fiscal year June 30.

The board voted 5-1 to approve the budget, a vote Board member P. C. Board was absent.

The budget projects of \$37,642,466 and expenses of \$37,143,064 for a total net expenditure surplus of \$500,000. The budget is based on the state property tax of \$12,728.642. The tax levied approved in December.

The budget also includes expenditures from the fund with \$30,888,888. The revenue for the year is \$338,693. The education began the fiscal year with a balance of \$8.6 million. The negative balance is expected to be reduced to \$0 at the end of the fiscal year.

Director of Finance

Bosses' night set for Tuesday

The Madison County Secretaries Association is its 22nd annual "bosses' night" on Tuesday, Oct. 5, from 6:30 to 10 p.m. at the Sunset Hill Club in Edwardsville.

Theme of this year's event is "Take a Day Off to the Bosses' Night."

The 1993-94 boss of the year and secretary of the year will be announced.

The event is open to all in the legal field, including attorneys, legal assistants, court support staff, court clerks and court personnel.

For more information, call Karen Hain

Nameoki town meeting changed

The Nameoki Town Board will meet Tuesday, Oct. 12, at 7 p.m. at the Township Hall, 4250 Highway 162. The meeting date was changed from Oct. 11 to accommodate the Columbus Day holiday.

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ALLSTATE

'Bulldog' Jakich leaves work behind

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

"I'm retiring. I'd do what I want, when I want, if I want," were the words on the button on John Jakich's lapel Thursday.

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— Von Dee Cruse

pride at the accomplishments during my administration."

Cruse said.

"He was not only my building inspector but also my friend."

Jakich said the most difficult task he ever had to perform was receiving a court order to have a building demolished and finding out that it was "home" to a family with small children.

"It was really tough — to see these little kids and have to tear down their home."

"But I knew that the kids would be better off not living in that environment," Jakich said.

Wearing his hat as zoning administrator, Jakich also had a tough job.

"It is really tough to have to tell a man what he can and can't do on his own property."



John Jakich cuts the cake at his retirement party Thursday afternoon at City Hall.

Jakich said.

Mayor Ron Selp recognized Jakich with a plaque at Tuesday night's City Council meeting, where Jakich was greeted with a

standing ovation.

Jakich, who has a vacation home on Lake Ka Ho, near Mount Olive, said he plans to do a lot of golfing and fishing.

Cruse said Jakich will be difficult to replace.

"Everybody can be replaced. But whoever it is has a tough act to follow," Cruse said.

Work set to resume on bike path extension

SPRINGFIELD — Unless floodwaters cause another delay, the construction needed to complete the Vandalabene Bikeway Trail extension from Grafton to Pere Marquette State Park is expected to get under way this month.

The contractor was ready to start in June when flooding put on the brakes.

The water caused little damage to the \$1.2 million trail, said state Capital Development Board spokeswoman Mia Jazo.

"There was some mud and debris that the Department of Conservation can clean up," she said. "Construction is expected to start in mid-October and be finished before Christmas."

The start date assumes there won't be any additional flooding along the trail that runs along the Great River Road from Grafton to Pere Marquette State Park Lodge.

Ironically, one of the remaining improvements stopped by the floodwaters was better drainage on the section of the trail that goes up and down the bluffs west of Grafton.

The contractor, C.D. Peters Construction Inc. of Granite City, had authorization to proceed with the remaining \$253,000 contract on the bikeway when the Illinois River spilled over in June.

\$37 million school budget approved

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

The Granite City School Board approved a \$37.1 million budget for the 1993-94 fiscal year ending June 30.

The board voted 5-1 last week to approve the budget, with Monroe Worthen casting the negative vote. Board member Pete Novack was absent.

The budget projects revenues of \$37,642,466 and expenditures of \$37,143,054 for a total revenue-to-expenditure surplus of \$499,412.

The budget is the first projected property tax levy of \$12.726,642. The tax levy must be approved in December.

The budget calls for \$30,550,299 in expenditures from the education fund and with \$30,888,992 in projected revenues for a surplus of \$338,693.

The education fund began the fiscal year with a negative balance of \$6.6 million, and that negative balance is projected to be reduced to \$6.26 million at the end of the fiscal year.

Director of Finance Norm

The reason there is a shortage is you never collect 100 percent of the taxes levied, but can only levy for exactly what you need. Usually, you hope the interest earned will make up the difference.

— Norm Owca
Finance director

Owca said that doesn't mean the education fund is really \$6.26 million in the "red." However, he said the district maintains nearly \$6.6 million in its working cash fund that is borrowed and repaid by the education fund each year.

"This is what we've done each year and will do until the (working cash) funds are paid off," Owca said.

"At that time (Dec. 1, 1994) we will make a permanent transfer of the entire amount to the education fund."

The district's operations and maintenance fund also began the year, and is projected to end the year, with a negative balance.

Owca said the operations and maintenance negative balance is artificial, however, because it reflects spending this year's money for items in next year's budget.

The operations budget lists expenditures of \$2,301,546 and revenues of \$2,218,638 for a surplus of \$17,092.

The district's bond and interest fund lists revenues of

\$1,063,978 and expenditures of \$1,064,277 for a shortfall of \$299. The end balance for the year is projected at \$66,850.

"That's really negligible and we have more than enough surplus to cover it," Owca said.

"The reason there is a shortage is you never collect 100 percent of the taxes levied, but can only levy for exactly what you need."

"Usually, you hope the interest earned will make up the difference."

The district's Illinois Municipal Retirement/Social Security fund shows a shortfall of \$61,408 based on revenues of \$1,257,915 and expenditures of \$1,322,323.

But, even with the shortfall, the projected balance at the end of the year is \$301,342.

"Basically, we had more money than we needed in the fund through September, so we decided to reduce the (property tax) levy this year," Owca said.

The district's transportation fund shows revenues of \$2,040,173 and expenditures of \$2,004,609 for a surplus of \$44,564 and an end-of-year balance of \$238,024.

The fire and safety fund shows revenues of \$156,787 and no expenditures for a surplus and end-of-year balance of \$156,787.

Gubernatorial candidates to meet

Three Democratic candidates for governor at Demuzio bash. The three announced Democratic candidates for governor will appear together for the first time today (Sunday) in Carlinville.

State Comptroller Dawn Clark Lestch, Attorney General Roland Burris and Cook County Board President Richard Phelan have all confirmed they will attend Sen. Vince Demuzio's annual County Fun Day, Demuzio said.

Demuzio has held the festive campaign fund-raiser for several years.

State Treasurer Patrick Quinn, who is still weighing a decision on entering the governor's race, will also attend, Demuzio said.

The 1993-94 boss of the year and secretary of the year will be announced. The event is open to everyone in the legal field, including judges, attorneys, legal secretaries, support staff, court reporters and court personnel.

"For more information, persons may call Karen Hall at 877-8252."

— From the Alton Telegraph

Bosses' night set for Tuesday

The Madison County Legal Secretaries Association will host its 22nd annual "bosses' night" on Tuesday, Oct. 5, with a social hour at 6:30 and dinner at 7:30 p.m. at the Sunset Hills Country Club in Edwardsville.

Theme of this year's event is "Take Me Out to the Ballgame."

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Opinion

Evelyn Bowles recalled as outspoken, helpful, friendly, perfectionist

Carol Clarkin writes this weekly column for the Edwardsville Journal.

Whoever he or she may be, the next Madison County clerk is someone I don't envy.

The person, as yet, unknown, who will sit in that particular catbird seat after the '94 elections, will be expected to live up to the standards of performance set by two predecessors — and it won't be easy.

Those standards have been high, indeed. And because both Eulalia Holz and Evelyn Bowles set and met — those standards, the public has come to take that kind of performance for granted.

Since Evelyn announced a couple of weeks ago that she would not seek re-election in 1994, nor would she be a candidate for any other office, I've thought about those standards of performance a lot.

But I haven't thought only of Evelyn, the officeholder. I've thought of Evelyn the person, Evelyn the friend.

We go back a long time, close to 30 years by my reckoning. I'm sure that she doesn't remember the first time we met, but I do.

"I was a newcomer to Edwardsville."

She was "Uke" Holz's deputy, and then Sen. Paul Douglas was planning to seek re-election.

The senator's wife, Emily Taft Douglas, came to town (doubtless on behalf of her husband's candidacy).

"Uke," a personal friend of the couple, hosted a come-one, come-all reception for her at Musso's Restaurant on Purcell Street, Edwardsville.

I went to meet the charming Mrs. Douglas and benefited by the bonus of meeting both "Uke" and Evelyn for the first time.

Then, a few years later when Madison County celebrated its bicentennial year (in 1962), she and I got to know Evelyn on a personal level — both Ed and Evelyn were narrators for the celebration's "history pageant."

We've been friends ever since those long rehearsal nights. She and Ed share an enthusiasm for fishing and we have pleasant memories of picnicking and trout fishing with her in Missouri streams.

Now that she's planning to dedicate more time to her golf game, it won't surprise me if the telephone her to suggest she join him for an occasional round of golf.

She'll probably beat him, too.

Evelyn has always been good to the press. Helpful, honest and available.

In a recent column tribute, my friend Pat Gauen referred to her as candid and blunt, and I agree wholeheartedly, except that "blunt" seems a trifle harsh.

She is a stickler for the facts.

She tells it like it is. No sugar-coating. If that's blunt, so be it. I've always thought there's a lot of the perfectionist in Evelyn, one of the reasons, no doubt, that she's run the clerk's office like a tight ship.

She has always expected to work hard and she's expected others to do likewise. It's whole hog or none with her, and that attitude has carried over into her whole life.

If you're going to do it, do it right, as well as you possibly can — whether it's work or hobby.

A number of years ago, during an interview, Evelyn said something which reflects the woman so succinctly I think it bears repeating.

She was speaking of the "me" society, "... the attitude of too many people of 'let me get mine, and what's left, no matter how, and the hell with the other guy.'"

And she spoke of the so-called moral majority "with the implication that if you're not for 'em, you're a 'gin 'em, and, moreover, you're a rotten, probably immoral, yourself."

"I really don't like these things and, what's more, I don't understand them."

Further, she said, "When I was growing up, you expected to work for what you got and work hard."

"That's the way we were taught."

But back in the Depression years, too, we were also taught to think of our neighbors, their needs and what we could do to help them. And they thought the same way.

"My family didn't have a lot of material things when I was young."

But we were close and we had each other and friends and neighbors.

"And we were taught that those things and people were important."

When they were kids, she said, her brother once asked her if they were poor. "I didn't know how to answer him."

"I know we were, in a money sense. But I didn't really feel poor because I had so much that really counted."

"I still don't think I was poor then."

This philosophy, together with the fact that she's taken the phrase "public service" at word value, not as a mere political catch-phrase, makes Evelyn a valuable role model.

She is worthy of the attention of our young — and your run-of-the-mill politico.

As for being poor, Evelyn will never be that. Not in the ways that really count.



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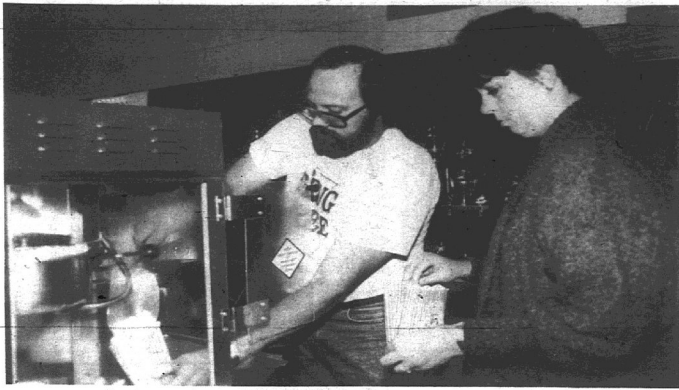
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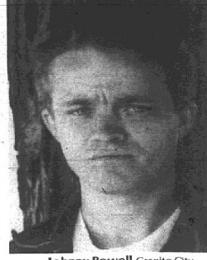
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Sims TV movie draws cheers, jeers from those involved

For the authors whose book led to a television movie about Paula Sims, the film was a winner. But Tuesday's showing of *Precious Victims*, based on the book with the same name, did not sit so well with other viewers, particularly some law enforcement people.

"It was thrilling for me and made all of the work and effort I put into the case worthwhile," said Don Weber, the man who prosecuted Sims and a co-author of the book. "The courtroom testimony was verbatim."

Weber, a former Madison County state's attorney, prosecuted Sims in 1990 for the murder of her 6-week-old daughter, Heather. He watched the movie with about 150 friends at the Collinsville Quality Inn.

"All in all, I was really pleased. There is still a mystery surrounding this case, and that's what keeps people going."

Co-author Charles Bosworth Jr. attended the gathering and said he was happy with the accuracy of the story.

"They stuck to the facts. I was surprised they were so detailed, right down to the police uniform patches and the judge's gavel."

"Richard Thomas' performance of Weber was excellent. He captured the drama and tenacious edge," Bosworth said. "It was also a real kick to see all of the places we recognize in the movie."

Jersey County Sheriff Frank Yocom was also at the party and said the actors did a good job portraying the actual characters.

"I thought it was great. It's hard to imagine all of the years of investigating were boiled into two hours of television," he said.

Alton police Sgt. Tony Ventimiglia, who was assistant chief of detectives during the case, said he watched only bits and pieces of the movie.

"Everyone at the department is giving it bad reviews. What I did see had very big plot holes. I lived it, and I don't think it was a good movie," he said.

Bob Eichen of Alton, who was the first officer on the scene when Sims reported Heather had been kidnapped, found it ironic that he was the only Alton officer portrayed in the movie.

"After the initial questioning I wasn't very involved in the case, and I was the one who got air time. I was surprised they showed so much of the first case."

Eichen, now an Alton firefighter, said watching the movie stirred up many emotions.

"I think about it once in awhile, but this brought it all back," he said. "It is impossible for them to convey all of it in two hours. It should have been a miniseries."

Eichen said the portrayal of Robert Sims was too harsh while the portrayal of Paula Sims was not cold enough.

"They made Robert look like a devil and a madman and Paula looked like a victim. She should have looked like a demon. When I went to trial I remember the way she looked at me. She seemed hollow inside," he said.

Eichen said he found it humorous that Bosworth and Weber appeared in the courtroom audience in the movie.

Rick McCain, who was chief of detectives during the investigation of Heather's death, said the movie lacked details about the second case.

"The parts they had in there were real accurate, but I assumed the movie was about both cases, and after watching it I felt it was about the first case and the trial of the second case."

McCain said the movie probably left many

questions for those who weren't familiar with the case.

"I am curious if those people were able to follow the trial. I would think they would wonder how she got arrested," he said.

Madison County State's Attorney William Haine said the movie was interesting but he would have preferred "a bit more of a look at the police work in the second homicide."

McCain said he did not care that he was overlooked. "It's just a movie. I didn't investigate the case to become a movie star. I've worked cases just as, or more, interesting."

McCain said he was impressed with the performance of Robby Benson as Robert Sims.

"He did the best job. He did Sims' stares perfect. Park (Overall, who played Paula Sims) was pretty good, but Paula was more like a zombie. She was emotionless and blank," he said.

Bosworth said the movie gave a very human portrayal of Paula Sims.

"That may be new to people in this area because they were used to seeing her icy and stone-faced," he said.

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Project Read — Volunteer tutors for Belleville Area College's Adult Literacy Program, Project Read, recently reviewed reading material at their monthly meeting in Granite City. In the back row, left to right, are Millie Stonum, Dorothy Renaud, Shirley Boneau and Jewell Backs; in the front row, left to right, are Louise Anderson, Millie Clements and Elbert Roberts. The volunteers tutor adults in reading and mathematics for two hours each week. Boneau is a Granite City recruiter for the program. At right, volunteers from the project pass out literacy information at a booth at the Granite City Wal-Mart store during National Literacy Week, Sept. 5-12. Handing out information about becoming a Project READ student or volunteer are Dorothy Renaud, left, and Millie Stonum.



Mount Nebo marks 94th year

The 94th anniversary celebration at Mount Nebo Missionary Baptist Church, 800 Jefferson St., Madison, will continue today with a special service at 8 p.m.

The Rev. Jerome Jackson will be the featured speaker and the Rev. John Q. Owens and the Rev. Reggie Fields will be the guest ministers.

On Friday, the Rev. Edward Williamson was the featured speaker and the Rev. John Henry Williams and the Rev. Seanus Boyce were the guest ministers.

Hubble analyst to address club

A former data analyst with the Hubble Telescope mission will address the Belleville Area College Astronomy Club at its next meeting at 7 p.m., Friday, Oct. 8, in Room 1200 at BAC, 2500 Carlyle Road.

Terri Gipson, who worked in the operations support system of the Hubble Telescope, will lecture and present a slide show on the images collected by the telescope.

The slide show and lecture are free and open to the public.

Craft classes to be offered here

The Granite City Park District will hold craft classes for adults at the Brown Recreation Center during October and November. Registration for all classes begins Monday, Oct. 4, at 9 a.m. in the Wilson Park office. All class fees must be paid at the time of registration.

The projects will all be completed in one evening. All crafts are on display in the Wilson Park office.

The first class will meet on Oct. 21. Susan Miosky will instruct creating ribbon hair barrettes, one in pastels and one in bright colors.

The cost of the two ribbons is \$8 with all supplies furnished. On Oct. 25, Miosky will teach a class where a tote-painted snowman will be completed. It is topped off with twig arms, carrot nose, evergreen, holly berries and his own wood scarf. The cost is \$10, with a supply list given out at the time of registration.

A button spool doll will be made on Oct. 27. Patti Justice will give instructions to make this doll to sit on a shelf. The doll is made of old buttons and wooden thread spools. All supplies will be furnished except for the buttons, thread, glue gun and scissors. The cost is \$9.

A useful little basket that can be used for many things will be made on Nov. 4. Gloria Harrison will teach the class and the cost is \$9. Items needed are a two-liter soda bottle, glue gun, lace, fabric and scissors.

On Nov. 8 a class will be taught making a 1/2-inch round rag wreath for a door or wall. All supplies will be furnished except for a Phillips screwdriver. The cost is \$14.

A whimsical "Dear Santa" project will be taught on Nov. 9 by Nikki Rodgers. This is Nikki's annual sweatshirt class that is always popular.

The cost of the class is \$10 and a simple supply list will be given out that includes a pre-washed sweatshirt.

Rodgers will also teach a class on Nov. 16. This will be a beautiful project used for gifts for anniversaries, housewarmings, Christmas gifts, etc. A personalized sampler will be made using soft colored pencils and an extra fine "Sharpie" pen. The cost will be \$7.

Gloria Harrison will be the instructor for a class making a pretty 12-inch angel made of lace, ribbons, rosebuds and pearls that can be used as a tree topper or a wall hanging. All supplies will be furnished except for scissors and a glue gun. The class meets on Nov. 18.

Anyone interested in more information on classes may call the Wilson Park District office at 877-3059.

'Country Fair' luncheon Oct. 12

The Christian Women's Club serving Madison County will feature a "Country Fair" luncheon at 12 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 12, at the Quality Inn-Raintree Restaurant in Collinsville.

The two-hour luncheon will feature a craft sale and auction with attorney Jim Drazen as the auctioneer. Special music for the program will be provided by Robert J. Brown with Jay Eggerich from Peoria as inspirational speaker.

A unique feature of the groups is that there are no formal dues or membership. All women are cordially invited to attend. The cost of the luncheon is \$7, payable at the door.

Reservations for the dinner and nursery are essential and should be made by noon, Friday, Oct. 8.

To make reservations or for more information, call Beverly, 667-2259, or Deborah, 343-9066.

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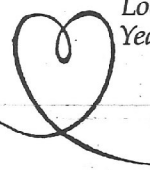
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Line dancing to be offered

A class new to the Granite City Park District this year will be country line dancing.

The basic steps to the Cowboy Cha-cha, the Boot Scootin' Boogie, Achy Breaky Heart and the Electric Slide will be taught during the classes.

The sessions will last for eight weeks and will meet on Monday evenings at the Harold Brown Recreation Center. The date of the first class will be Oct. 18 and the last being Dec. 6.

There will be a choice of times; one is from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m. and the other is 8:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Barbara Brandt is the instructor and the cost is \$10 for the eight week course for residents of the park district and \$20 for non-residents. Proof of residence must be presented at the time of registration, which begins on Monday, Oct. 4 at 9 a.m. in the Wilson Park office.

Summerstage tickets on sale

Summerstage, the Granite City Community Theatre Company, has announced that season tickets are now on sale for the 1993-94 season.

Tickets are \$25 and are good for five productions, beginning with "The Mouse Trap" by Agatha Christie. Tickets may be purchased by calling Summerstage at 451-1032.

Tryouts for "A Christmas Carol," the season's second offering, will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 5, at Summerstage Playhouse, 2906 Pershing. Persons auditioning should be prepared to sing something and read or perform a short monologue. Children, teens and adults are needed.

For more information, call the Wilson Park District office at 877-3059. The instructor will be Debbie Wiehard.

Step aerobics class set

The Granite City Park District will be offering a new session of step aerobics at the Lincoln Place Community Center.

The class will be held on Tuesday and Thursday from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Registration will begin on Oct. 4 in the Wilson Park office. Fees are \$20 for residents and \$30 for non-residents. Class will be limited to 40.

This new concept is based on the stair-climbing exercise. For more information, call the Wilson Park office at 877-3059. The instructor will be Debbie Wiehard.

Flood kept highway crews busy too
Devastation in '73 was minor by comparison, Klohr says

Off-maligned road crews became heroes during the Great Flood of '93 as Illinois Department of Transportation workers fought to keep roads open and continue to fight to bring driving back to normal.

"It was a major effort on our part," said Dale Klohr, IDOT's District 8 engineer out of Collinsville.

"It was unique in my career because very seldom do we get a chance to help a lot of people. This time everyone was glad to see us."

Klohr went to work for IDOT in 1958 and has headed the District 8 office since 1978.

"I worked on the flood of '73. There is no comparison. The devastation was minor in '73 compared to this. In '73 we thought the River Road would never flood and were shocked when it did. You can imagine how we felt during the flood of '93," he said.

Klohr reached out for all available resources during the disaster.

"We had every maintenance truck in this district working at one time and we called in units from other districts. We had workers from as far away as Vandalia," he said.

Klohr commended the entire operations staff for performing in an "exceptional manner."

"A lot of workers made friends in the

communities they were there so much. Our employees got caught up in the spirit of the fight," he said. "The real heroes are the workers."

Klohr singled out Field Engineer Ralph Kaesberg, who directed all work north of Alton.

"He worked 12- to 18-hour days seven days a week for better than six weeks. I think he only saw his wife and children two times during that period. He lived out of a motel in Jerseyville and all of that was without any additional pay," Klohr said.

Although many flood victims are on the road back to recovery, road crews are still fighting the battle.

"Some roads are going back under water. Heavy rains have forced us to close them again. We're also involved with the cleanup. We've been using 40 trucks to haul refuse to landfills," Klohr said.

An automobile shredder at the flood disposal site in Grafton can shred 80 tons of refuse an hour.

"We can get about five truck loads into one. It saves a lot on hauling costs," he said.

Throughout the flood, workers hauled rock and built a temporary road through Grafton that served as the only access for many weeks.

"We also supported all the efforts of the levee districts. We hauled rock, sand, gravel and water and built up many roads leading into communities like the road into Hardin off the Joe Page Bridge. We raised it by about 8 feet," Klohr said.

In Greene County, crews operated two sand pits with 150 trucks working on one weekend.

"We were heavily involved from Alton north and from Columbia south to Chester. We helped raise the levee at Prairie du Rocher and Valmeyer by three feet with gravel," he said. "At Menard Prison we built an 8-foot-high rock berm around the waterworks so they could keep the prison open."

Porting detours has kept many IDOT workers busy, and barricades became much in demand at the height of the flood. Klohr said IDOT had to have barricades shipped from Chicago.

"As of Sept. 1 costs had exceeded \$3 million. To date we haven't uncovered any serious damage to state highways but there are many roads we haven't seen yet," he said.

Klohr said roads in the flood plain were subject to currents more than roads that ran parallel to the river.

Cholesterol testing to be offered

St. Elizabeth Medical Center's CardioPulmonary Rehab and Prevention program will be offering cholesterol testing, blood pressure checks and blood sugar screenings at convenient locations. Each test includes a professional consultation with a registered nurse or a registered dietitian on the results.

The health screenings will be offered at the following locations: Thursday, Oct. 14, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Schnucks, 501 Bettine Road, in Collinsville. Participants will be seen on a first-come, first-served basis.

No appointments are necessary. Wednesday, Oct. 20, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Wellness Center, 2103 Iowa, in Granite City.

Appointments are required. Please call 798-3201 to make an appointment.

Cholesterol level screenings, blood pressure tests and professional consultation on the results will be offered at both locations for \$7.

Blood sugar tests, blood pressure tests and professional consultation on the results will be offered for \$1.

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Obituaries

J.B. Biggs

J.B. Biggs, 60, of Valley City, N.D., formerly of Granite City, died Wednesday, Sept. 22, 1993. He was born Dec. 6, 1915, in Fargo, N.D. He was born Oct. 17, 1932, in Holcomb, Mo., and was a resident of Granite City until 1953. He was employed at Granite City Steel from 1951 to 1952 and then joined the Navy in 1953, serving until 1957.

A member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2764 of Valley City and the Valley City Eagles, he attended Granite City public schools and graduated from Granite City High School in 1951. Survivors include his wife, Dorothy (Maus) Biggs, whom he married Feb. 9, 1956, in Reno, Nev.; two sons, Rick Biggs of Burbank, Calif., and Larry Biggs of Phoenix, Ariz.; one daughter, Vicki Zau of Minot, N.D.; three brothers, Hon. Biggs and Freddie Biggs, both of Granite City, and Keith Biggs of Orlando, Fla.; three sisters, Joyce Biggs of Granite City, JoAnn Bearfield and Debbie Marlow, both of Las Vegas, Nev.; his mother, Mrs. (Berneice) Biggs, of Granite City; and one grandson. He was preceded in death by his father, Fred Biggs.

Services were held Saturday, Sept. 25, at Faith Lutheran Church, Valley City, with the Rev. Thomas Peterson officiating. Burial was at Memory Gardens, Valley City.

Carmen Ochao

Carmen (Urtado) Ochao, 33, of Glen Carbon died at 5:15 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 30, 1993, at Jewish Hospital, St. Louis. She was born Aug. 3, 1960, in Davalos, Michoacan, Mexico. She was a homemaker and a member of the Mother of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, Maryville. Survivors include five sons, Salvador Ochao of Jennings, Mo., Philip Ochao of Edwardsville, Rufus Ochao of Granite City, Ronald Ochao of Edwardsville and Aurelio Ochao Jr. of Chicago; four daughters, Mary Teresa Ochao, Raquel Hall and Olivia Ochao, all of Glen Carbon, and Sally Ochao of Jennings; two sisters, Ester Navarro of Davalos, Michoacan, and Josefa Ochao, one daughter, Rosary Gutierrez, and her parents, Rufugio and Adelaida Gonzalez.

Visitation is from 4 to 7 p.m. Monday at Mother of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, 200 N. Lange Ave., Maryville. Graveside services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Calvary Cemetery, Glen Carbon. Burial will be in the Calvary Cemetery. Arrangements are being handled by Quigley Funeral Home, Collinsville. Masses are suggested as memorials.

Jessica Hill

Jessica Marie Hill, eight days old, of Granite City, died Wednesday, Sept. 29, 1993, in Granite City. Survivors include her parents, Larry and Trina (Pace) Hill; one sister, Jayne Hill, at home; and her grandparents, Larry and Earline Hill, of Granite City; and her great-grandparents, Milt and Betty Pace, all of Granite City. Funeral services were held Saturday at Grace Baptist Church, Granite City.

William Hemmer

William E. Hemmer III, 44, of Belleville died at 5:05 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 30, 1993, at his residence. He was born Nov. 23, 1948, in Belleville.

He was a railroad policeman prior to his retirement. Survivors include his wife, Georgette (Baur) Hemmer; one son, Beane Hemmer of Belleville; one daughter, Angie Hemmer of Belleville; one granddaughter, Stacy Fattori of Belleville; three brothers, Thomas Hemmer of Belleville and Michael and Warren Hemmer, both of Edwardsville; one sister, Jennifer Penrod of Granite City; and his mother, Lola A. (Dyorf) Hemmer of Belleville.

He was preceded in death by his father, William E. Hemmer Jr. Visitation is from 5 to 9 p.m. today at Balducci-Radden Funeral Home, 3416 W. Main St., Belleville. Burial services will be held 1 p.m. Monday with the Rev. Eugene Leckrone officiating. Burial will be at Jefferson Starck National Cemetery, St. Louis.

Tyler D. Bierschwal

Tyler Douglas Bierschwal, 4 days old, died at 3:21 a.m. Friday, Oct. 1, 1993, at Cardinal Glennon Hospital, St. Louis. He was born Sept. 27, 1989, in Maryville. He was of the Protestant faith.

Survivors include his mother, Penny Farris of Granite City; his father, Ty Bierschwal of Granite City; maternal grandparents, Thomas and Bonita Farris of Granite City; paternal grandparents, Dennis and Shabua Hall of Granite City; John Bierschwal of Exeter, Mo.; maternal great-grandparents, John and Mary Bierschwal of Granite City; paternal great-grandparents, John and Ginger Howland Leob Bierschwal of Granite City; great-grandparents, Bertie Hobbs and Ida Clints of Granite City.

He was preceded in death by his maternal great-grandparent, Douglas Farris and paternal great-grandparent, Ruby Bierschwal. Visitation is from 5 to 8 p.m. today at Thomas Mortuary, 2205 Pontoon Road, Granite City. A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, at Sunset Hill Estates, Glen Carbon.

Fire prevention, drug awareness activities set

The Metro-East Black Child Development Institute is launching a fire prevention and drug awareness campaign. The Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 4-6. The activity will involve fire prevention materials, which will be mailed to all local children and family day care facilities in the Metro-East area.

The Metro-East Black Child Development Institute is dedicated to improving the quality of life for Afro-American children and youth.

For more information on how to receive these materials, contact Margaret Mandley at 374-0634 or Marva Patterson at 482-6767.

Sam

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somebody who's been an outstanding asset for our district," Bowles said.

Vadalabene said many supporters had urged him to run again. He also said Wood River Township Highway Commissioner Steve Davis, who might be asked that he would seek the nomination for Vadalabene's seat in the March primary was not a factor.

Vadalabene first won the seat in 1970 after serving two terms in the Illinois House. His term expires in January 1995.

He said he informed Senate Democratic Leader Emil Jones of Chicago of his decision to retire and of his plan to support a candidate in the primary.

"Sam has been of great service to the people of Illinois and especially Southwestern Illinois.

Bridge

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The project does not include improvements to the bridge approaches on either side of the river, Fields said.

"A total rehabilitation would require \$30 million-plus," Fields said.

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"Transportation is vital for the development of any area. We've got the highways, we've got the rails and we've got the water," Hagnauer said.

Commercial developers have shown interest in the Route 3 corridor and have been waiting for news of the McKinley Bridge project.

Venice Mayor Tyrone Eckels said he has been working with Costello and Hagnauer for "quite some time," and that the local share of the project funds probably will be obtained soon without their assistance.

"All the thanks must go to Congressman Costello and Chairman Hagnauer," Eckels said.

Granite City Mayor Ron Selph, also on the transit district board, said the project will be good news for his city.

"We see nothing but positive things for Granite City coming from this," Selph said.

It is unfortunate his illness will prevent him from serving again," Jones said.

"I would never ask him not to run again, and it was a decision he had to make for himself, and he was the greatest man I know."

Jones said he and Vadalabene, Senate Democratic Caucus chairman, would be good friends who might be asked to represent all the people in that district.

To thousands of constituents, many of whom Vadalabene helped deal with the state bureaucratic maze, he was simply "Senator Sam."

Despite his illness, which included kidney dialysis three times a week, Vadalabene has continued to answer letters and phone calls seeking his help.

He credited the late George Wilkins Sr., who gave Vadalabene his start in state politics by hiring him when Wilkins was

state school superintendent, with inspiring his campaign slogan, "Senator Sam stands for service."

The father of bicycle trail legislation, Vadalabene has seen his name given to two bike paths, a street in Edwardsville, a tow boat and even two racehorses.

But he said he was proudest of the Vadalabene Center at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. The building, named in 1984 and named for him in recognition of his key role in getting state money for new campus buildings.

SIU President Earl Lazerson said Vadalabene "has been a superb representative for Southwestern Illinois in the General Assembly and for all of that period a friend of SIUE. I know of no one in public life who has represented his constituents with more personal involvement and attention as Sam has."

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Poplar Bridge job slows traffic

The Poplar Street Bridge may not prove so popular with motorists as it is today.

The Illinois Department of Transportation began a \$17.5 million project to reconstruct the bridge. The project will consist of closing, demolishing and reconstructing the Illinois approaches to the bridge.

The rehabilitation project to the approach that carries Interstate 55, 64 and 70 over the Mississippi River will cause traffic disruptions, said Dale Klorh, IDOT district engineer for southwestern Illinois.

Going out and patching the bridge is no longer enough. Over the long haul this renovation will help repave money and drivers' aggravation by eliminating the need for frequent repairs which motorists have suffered in the past," Klorh said.

"The Poplar Street complex carries 25,000 vehicles a day. The wear and age of the structures simply requires major rehabilitation," Klorh said.

The two-phase project will be the most extensive work to the 26-year-old complex leading to the bridge since 1960.

"Keeping three lanes of eastbound and westbound roadway open to traffic at all times is a costly objective as well as getting the work done as quickly and safely as possible. This work will be done on an accelerated schedule with penalties for finishing late or a bonus for early completion," Klorh said.

Motorists are fortunate there are good alternate routes and public transportation, Klorh said.

"While the approach bridges are under construction, I urge commuters to use MetroLink rail service and Bi-State buses, or use alternate river crossings."

The main westbound lanes to the bridge will be closed, rerouting traffic through lanes from four to three for both eastbound and westbound traffic. The eastbound main lane will be reconfigured to carry two-way traffic.

The speed limit in the center lane zone will be reduced to 40 mph and strongly enforced, Klorh said.

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Attendance sparse at GOP meeting

The "help wanted" sign is still up for Madison County Republicans. A "help wanted" sign is still up for Madison County Republicans.

Just about anyone wanting to run on the 1994 ticket may be welcome, even turncoat Democrats.

"We are open to conversions," County Republican Party Chairman Ed Ragdale said at a planning meeting Wednesday.

There are good Democrats we could welcome. Ronald Reagan was a Democrat. If someone has been a Democrat in the past, there is no reason we couldn't welcome them over."

Just as welcome are supporters of Ross Perot. "I would be delighted to talk to Perot people," Ragdale said.

Perot share a common goal: change, cost-effective government. Many Perot people have voted Republican before. A coalition between Perot people and Republicans could be very effective. I'm willing to listen."

Wednesday's meeting drew 11 people who discussed Republican chances at county and state races. No Republican candidates have taken out petitions or made formal announcements for office in Madison County.

Ragdale said he knows of two Republicans who will run for the County Board but would not identify them.

Brad Beck, who ran for Godfrey mayor in April, said he was election or make a bid for state Senate or the House.

Ragdale told the party loyalists that he would continue to

representing other people." Ragdale said of the sparse turnout, promising a number of names would be on the ballot by the filing deadline in mid-December.

"This isn't bad at all. What we don't have in quantity we have in quality. There is a lot of appetite out there. We got the ball rolling. It just didn't roll too far."

Ragdale predicted the GOP would have at least 10 candidates for the Madison County Board.

He also said state Rep. Ron Stephens of Troy and county Clerk Kelly Shinkus will run for yet-unannounced offices.

Recent decisions by County Clerk Kelly Shinkus and Sen. Sam Vadalabene not to run again have opened up two seats that Ragdale said he would seek without a challenge, he said.

At the meeting, Shinkus said he would decide by mid-October if he will run again for the treasurer's job or some other post.

Shinkus told The Alton Telegraph that he will not run for Congress next year. Last fall, he lost in his bid to unseat U.S. Rep. Dick Durbin of Springfield.

But the Collinsville Republican is keeping his options open and is expected to announce next month whether he will seek re-election or make a bid for state Senate or the House.

Ragdale told the party loyalists that he would continue to

keep his "eyes and ears open. We may have somebody surface. We owe it to voters to give them a choice. I'd like to see a woman or two on our ticket. I think we ought to look real seriously at putting one on the ticket."

Shinkus emphasized that candidates should be highly motivated.

"We need someone who really wants the job, who really wants to work hard. If you have to drag people in, I don't know if they are ready to handle the rigors of a campaign."

Republican State Central Committeewoman Eleanor Schulte quashed Ragdale's suggestion that Shinkus run for county clerk. Ragdale later mentioned Rose Jedd of Collinsville as a good possible candidate.

Gary Henderson, a board member of Lewis and Clark Community College who ran against Auditor Fred Bathon, remains undecided about running for office, Ragdale said.

County Republicans will invite the public to another organizational meeting next month to continue discussing possible candidates.

—From the Alton Telegraph

Man still trying to get settlement from East St. Louis

By Bonita Tillman Staff writer

Eight years after a St. Clair County jury awarded him \$3.4 million for injuries he received in a beating in jail, Walter Debow still is trying to get his settlement.

Belleville attorney Clyde Kuehn, who has represented Debow from the start, asked Circuit Judge James K. Donovan Thursday to force St. Louis officials to pay Debow.

Kuehn also asked for \$400,000 in legal fees he said he has earned in the 10-year-old case.

Donovan said he will have a decision by the end of the week, but assured city attorney James Clayborne that his decision would not mean more taxes for residents in the already tax-burdened city.

"We're asking the court to fashion a remedy of remedy to start paying and satisfying this judgment from the court," Kuehn said.

"We're like the crazy aunt in the basement with the door locked. Little whispers are heard by the city when we're down here screaming and shouting for help."

Debow, formerly of Venice, was jailed after a traffic accident in 1984 and placed in the cell with a violent offender. Debaw was beaten by the man and suffered brain damage. He has homes and rehabilitation centers since that time.

Kuehn asked that revenues the city receives from the Casino Queen gambling boat be attached to Debaw's case. The city receives an estimated \$110,000 a week from the business, he added.

But Clayborne said the city does not have the resources right now to pay the debt even with the gambling boat proceeds. The city is trying to pro-

vide long-neglected fire and police to its residents and insurance for its employees, he said.

"The city has put on testimony that people have been hired to help it restructure its debt, not only to satisfy Mr. Kuehn, but all its creditors," he said.

He asked the judge to give the city a chance to recover before forcing it to pay the debt.

Although Debaw won the original \$3.4 judgment in 1985, the city won several appeals. However, an appeals court overturned that decision last year, saying the city's property cannot be awarded to satisfy a judgment.

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Tax law

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new rates are effective retroactively to Jan. 1, 1993. The good news, if one can call it that, is that any additional taxes generated in 1993 by these rates can be paid in three equal annual interest-free installments, with the first installment generally payable no later than April 15, 1994.

Long-term capital gain rates have not increased and remain capped at 28 percent. The 2.9 percent hospital insurance component of the FICA tax, to which the employer and employee each contributes at a rate of 1.45 percent, is currently limited to \$130,000 of wages.

This ceiling will be removed in 1994 and the tax will apply to all wages. Self-employed individuals will be subject to a 2.9 percent tax on all new self-employment earnings.

Since 1984, Social Security

recipients with personal income in excess of certain thresholds have been subject to taxation on as much as 50 percent of their Social Security benefits.

The existing thresholds are retained, but in 1994, new 85 percent inclusion rate thresholds are added (\$44,000 married filing jointly, \$34,000 single, and zero if married and filing separately).

Depending on the person's provisional income in excess of these new thresholds, the 85 percent rate could apply to the total Social Security benefit.

The excise tax on transportation fuels (gasoline, diesel and alcohol mixtures) increases 4.3 cents a gallon in October 1993.

The compensation limit for qualified retirement plan benefits, including simplified employee pensions (SEPs), drops from \$235,840 to \$150,000. The new compensation limit will be eligible for an inflation adjustment increase, but only in \$10,000 increments, beginning in 1995.

Beginning in 1994, the deduction for business meals drops from 80 percent to 50 percent. In addition, club membership dues will be nondeductible even if the club is

organized for a business purpose.

Beginning in 1994, individual estimated taxes for high-income taxpayers, defined as those who in the prior year had adjusted gross income in excess of \$150,000, will have to pay 90 percent of the current year's tax or 110 percent of the prior year's tax to avoid the underpayment tax penalty.

Others who do not pay 90 percent of the current year's tax will escape the penalty if they pay 100 percent of the preceding year's tax.

The 10 percent luxury tax on boats, airplanes, furs and jewelry is repealed retroactively to Jan. 1, 1993.

The tax on automobiles was retained, but the \$30,000 threshold is subject to indexing.

Brian Mulhall of Granite City is a partner with a St. Louis-based financial services company. He can be reached at (314) 569-0820.

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Decker named actuarial associate

Julie Decker, a senior actuarial assistant with General Life Insurance, St. Louis, has been named an Associate of the Society of Actuaries (ASA).

She received a bachelor's degree in mathematics in 1991 from Northeast Missouri State University, Kirksville.

Decker, the daughter of Don and Norma Riden of Granite City, is a former resident of Granite City. She is a 1987 graduate of Granite City High School and now resides in Highland.

She earned the ASA designation by successfully completing a series of examinations administered by the society.

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Elected to advisory board of health association

The National Association of Occupational Health Professionals recently elected Ginny Lepping as the representative for the Midwest region on its regional advisory board.

She is executive vice president and chief operating officer of Providence Occupational Health Services, Granite City.

Lepping has been largely responsible for the development of Providence Occupational Health Services, considered the premier program in its field in the metropolitan St. Louis area.

Providence is affiliated with the Sisters of Divine Providence and is part of St. Elizabeth Health Services. She has 15 years of experience as a clinician, consultant, educator and administrator in occupational health nursing.

Lepping was elected to the American Board of Occupational Health Nurses in 1989 and served two terms as a director. She has won several awards for her professional publications on occupational health nursing.

and work hardening. Lepping is a member of the International Commission on Occupational Health; and the American Board of OHN at a conference in Nice, France. She is an editorial adviser to *Occupational Health Management* and a member of Sigma Theta Tau, the international honor society of nursing; the Scientific Nursing Committee of the

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Could inflation be eliminated?

Bank president says Federal Reserve action could do it

By Roger McGrath
Correspondent

Inflation, that insidious phenomenon that erodes the purchasing power of our hard-earned wages and savings, could virtually be eradicated. Doing so, however, would require nothing less than a revolutionary—and unlikely—reversal of the mandate of the Federal Reserve Bank.

"Zero inflation should be the dominant objective of the central bank," says W. Lee Hoskins, chief executive and president of the Huntington National Bank in Columbus, Ohio.

Yet, central banks, including the Fed, are biased toward and actively support inflation, because "central bankers are suffering from a Keynesian hangover," Hoskins said during a recent seminar at the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis.

Keynesian theory, now largely discredited in economic but not political circles, says that government intervention, including actions by its military arm, the central bank, can spur a lagging economy.

"Today, businessmen, politicians and most economists continue to believe that if the

economy is weak, the central bank should respond, regardless of the cause of the weakness," Hoskins said. "And so it does."

Members of the Fed's policy-making body, the Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC), "reflect what is believed by the mainstream," Hoskins said. Thus, the Fed adopts monetary policies that, at best, have only a fragile commitment to price stability, he said.

His observations are firsthand: While president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, Hoskins was a member of the FOMC.

Before each FOMC meeting, Fed staffers analyze the policy recommendations of prominent

economists. "These views invariably present the policy decisions in terms of a Phillips curve trade-off," Hoskins said.

The Phillips curve is an economic theory that rising inflation cuts employment, and lower inflation supports more jobs.

"To contribute to maximum economic growth, central banks must achieve price-level stability," Hoskins said.

Although the Fed has the power to pursue a zero-inflation policy, it also is charged with multiple objectives that often are incompatible, as evidenced by the Phillips curve trade-off, Hoskins said.

His solution: "Give the FOMC

a legislative mandate to meet a consistent, attainable and, namely, zero inflation, he said.

Hoskins' proposal fails to recognize that politicians and the business community have a vested interest in maintaining the status quo. For example, even modest inflation, thanks to cost-of-living wage increases that push workers into higher tax brackets, boosts government income.

Recent studies, however, found that countries where central banks were given the independence to pursue zero-inflation policies have had the lowest rates of inflation, Hoskins said.

Hogan achieves sales honor

Timothy S. Hogan, unit manager in Granite City for Franklin Insurance, Springfield, Ill., has earned one of the company's top sales honors, according to Franklin Chairman Howard C. Humphrey, CLU.

Humphrey said that Hogan has qualified for Franklin's Centennial Club, a national honor organization of the company's most successful sales associates. Hogan's qualification was based on outstanding personal sales totals for July.

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Timothy Hogan

SUE center helps small businesses

More than 3,000 small businesses in the Midwest contact the Southwestern Illinois Business Network at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville for assistance and development annually. This includes small businessmen looking to expand operations and entrepreneurs with ideas for starting their own businesses or marketing their own products.

The resources of the Southwestern Illinois Small Business Development and Resource Network give many regional businesses the impetus to get started, the knowledge to survive and the strength to grow. The network also helps clients with business advice, technical assistance and financing.

Chuck Behn, director of the network, said, "We're a hybrid group, combining private industry, university and government experience and knowledge. We deliver hands-on business assistance service in practically every functional area—from sales, marketing, finance, production, research and technology to serving as a resource and networking center."

The network is made up of several inter-related units structured around the Small Business Development Center, including the International Trade Center and the Procurement Assistance Center. Business and training incubator operations, training programs, seminars and workshops are also sponsored and run by the network. The programs are partially funded by the Small Business Administration and the Department of Defense through the Illinois Department of Commerce and Community Affairs.

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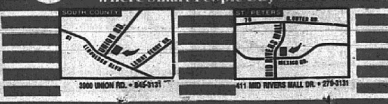
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Tri-City Speedway plans the season.



Linemen pay Warriors' wages over the year

As I watched the ball team's victory over the Warriors last week, I was impressed with the line play of center Ben and guards Nathan and Jeremy Wyatt. They were strong on defense.

I felt last year that Owen could be a strength, and they had the weight in the offseason. Wyatt worked young men to find some play last year, and the offense. It has dividends, and Jeremy a good year.

This column will feature the best offensive line in the Granite City area. These are the guys you hear or read much, ask any offensive line, and you will praise if they do a good job.

OFFENSIVE LINE
led at GCHS. Some big and strong, we have been small and I know there were standing lines before Granite City, but that caught my attention in the 1980s. It included Mike Ernie Kern, Eric Roy Line, John Lov Yates.

The following year, perhaps one of the best offensive lines in history. It included: who went on to become college players at major universities: (Iowa); Kerr (Missouri); Jerry (Northwest Missouri); Chuck (Missouri); and Joe (Missouri). They were responsible for a first round pick in the 1980s. The next line that mind belonged to the Warriors finished 8-1.

GRANITE CITY
team to make the 1974 Granite City team, which qualified for the year of IHSA playoffs. This team featured Dave Houser, Mark Lucas, Jim Barker, and Dave Kwiatkowski. They were a success because they contributed to only our second year. In 1980, the Warriors, with their only against eventual 3rd place, Belleville. Although played only eight games, it prevented the playoffs. The team included center, guards Alan Schmitt, Bowen, tackles and Mike Long and Bowler.

The following year, another playoff to record. At the Wyrostek, the guard Zimmerman and Schmitt were Jim Schrader and the Hubert and Bob G.

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The 1986 Warriors had a very strong line. They were big and an excellent for both the running passing game. The Warriors were Todd Rhodes, Scott LeVine, Mike George and the Hubert and Bob G.

Some highlights were beating the going underdog Western Conference fought win over the

RACING

Tri-City Speedway plans its final event of the season.

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Bob Stegemeier

Linemen paved Warriors' way over the years

As I watched the Warrior football team's victory over Collinsville last week, I was particularly impressed with the offensive line play of center Brian Koberna and guards Nathan Owen and Jeremy Wyatt. They also looked strong on defense.

I felt last year that Koberna and Owen could be good players with more experience and strength, and they have worked hard in the weight room in the offseason. Wyatt was a hard-nosed young man who was trying to find some place to play last year, and the coaches were pleased with his work ethic in the offseason. It has really paid dividends, and Jeremy is having a good year.

This column will feature some of the best offensive lines I have had the pleasure to watch at Granite City over the years. These are the guys you seldom hear or read much about. But ask any offensive back about them, and you will hear high praise if they do a good job.

OFFENSIVE LINES have varied at GCHS. Some have been big and strong, while others have been small and quick.

I know there were some outstanding lines before I came to Granite City, but the first one that caught my attention was the one on the 1993 team that went 5-3-1. It included Mike Rousseau, Ernie Kern, Eric Robertson, Jerry Line, John Love and Ron Yates.

The following year, 1994, featured perhaps one of the most outstanding lines in Granite City history. It included six players who went on to become successful college players, three at major universities: John Eversen (Iowa); Kern (Southeast Missouri); Jerry Lybarger (Northeast Missouri); Line (Illinois); Chuck Mizerski (Purdue); and Joe Hauptman (Missouri). They were largely responsible for a fine 7-2 record.

The next line that comes to mind belonged to the 1970 team. The center was Mike Briggs, the guards were Jon Tarpoff and Dave Hordesky, the tackles were Richard "Jug" Moore and first-team All-American Mark Mizerski, and Tom Zarling and Terry Eddleman were the ends. The Warriors finished 8-1.

GRANITE CITY'S FIRST team to make the playoffs was the 1974 Granite City North team, which qualified in the first year of IHSA postseason competition. This team went 8-1 and featured Dave Hamiltons, Bob Holsinger, Mark Davis, Keith Luers, Jim Barford, Wade Huff and Dave Kwiatkowski.

They were a special group to me. I had nothing to do with their success because I didn't coach offensive linemen, but they contributed a great deal in only our second year at North.

In 1980, the Steelers finished 7-1, with their only loss coming against eventual state champion Belleville Althoff. Since they played only eight games, the one loss prevented them from making the playoffs. The team's line included center Kevin DePew, guards Alan Schmidt and Gerald Bowen, tackles Tim Wyrstek and Mike Long and tight end Joe Bowler.

The following season featured another playoff team with a 7-3 record. At center was Jim Wyrstek, the guards were Bill Zimmerman and Scott Corey, the tackles were Jim Dean and Eric Schrader and the ends were Joel Schubert and Bob Quick.

THIS GROUP BEAT Althoff and won the Gateway East Conference championship by beating Edwardsville 3-0 in overtime in the last regular-season game. The Steelers then lost to a strong Springfield Griffin team, 14-7, in the playoffs.

The 1986 Warrior football team had a very strong line. The Warriors were big and smart and did an excellent job of blocking for both the run and an outstanding passing game. The linemen were Todd Rhodes, Steve Stockman, Scott LeVaut, Tim Davis, Mike Georger and Eric Ryter.

Some highlights of their season were beating East St. Louis, going undefeated in the Southwestern Conference and a hard-fought win over Quincy in the

(See LINEMEN, Page 3B)

GCHS JV squads stumble against Collinsville

The Granite City junior varsity football teams were swept by Collinsville on Tuesday.

The Granite City freshmen fell behind 14-0 to Collinsville in the first half and lost 20-14. Quarterback Kyle Briggs rushed for both of Granite City's touchdowns, scoring on runs of 1 and 2 yards.

THE FRESHMAN TEAM, coached by Tim Moran and Gene Gunderson, dropped to 2-2.

The sophomore team, meanwhile, was shut down in the second half in a 12-7 loss to Collinsville. After Keith Lott's 60-yard touchdown run and a point-after-kick by Joe Laboratory in the first quarter, Collinsville held the Warriors scoreless the rest of the way.

Collinsville's 12-7 lead at half-time held up as the final score.

"We spent most of the game on our side of the field," coach Al Lewis said. "Their defense totally dominated us. But our defense made some nice stands in the second half."

THE SOPHOMORES were back in action Saturday against East St. Louis at Parsons Field. The freshmen will be off until Oct. 6, when they visit Berkeley.

The sophomore team's next game is scheduled for Oct. 14 at St. Louis University High.



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Granite City senior Ken Felty fired an 81 Thursday in the Southwestern Conference meet.

Granite City golfers capture SWC crown

Bixler, Felty lead squad in two-stroke win over Alton

By Mike Kelly
Correspondent

The Warriors had their minds made up and there was no stopping them.

Granite City High's golf team put together a solid effort on a cool, windy day Thursday and won the Southwestern Conference Tournament at Spencer T. Olin Community Golf Course in Alton.

The Warriors, with a team score of 334, nosed out Alton by two strokes to win the title. Junior Greg Bixler and senior Ken Felty handed Granite City the crown the second time the Warriors have won the title in three years — by firing a pair of 81s.

"SHOOTING AN 81 under these conditions is tremendous," Granite City coach Russ Chappell said. "Our kids kept their poise and played the course intelligently."

"That's not always easy to do," said Bixler, who along with Felty lost the individual title to



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SPORTS

First-half scores pace Warriors in 6-1 win over Belleville East

The Warrior soccer team used five first-half goals on its way to defeating Belleville East 6-1 Thursday in a Southwestern Conference match.

Granite City (8-3-1) got two goals from the Shawn Petroski and John Nizinski and had little trouble with the Lancers.

Granite City's other goals were scored by Jamey Bridges and Sean Lakatos. Jamey Bridges added two assists.

"Nizinski had a nice head goal, and (Brian) Kohler almost tore the crossbar down with a shot," Warrior coach Gene Baker said.

Goalkeeper Mike Bristol started but suffered an injury while punting and had to leave the game. David Kasprchik took over for the rest of the way.

The Warriors were without junior Corey Kessler and Paulie Bucherich, who both suffered injuries Tuesday against Collinsville. Granite City's next game is Monday against SLUH in the Tournament of Champions.

"They're marginal for Monday," Baker said.

Champions

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The level of play rivals what will be seen later this year during the Missouri and Illinois state tournaments. Many coaches call it the most prestigious soccer tournament in the Midwest.

"It's the best," said Dean Schulenberg, whose Hazelwood Central team won the 1989 Missouri Class 4A state title in a class act. It's really an honor to play in this tournament.

"If you really look at it, it's tougher than the (Missouri) state tournament. When you look at the final 16 in the teams here, it's much tougher."

It is in Illinois, too," Baker said.

The field contains Granite City and two other Illinois teams, O'Fallon and DeMet. Rockford Boylan. The other new entry is Parkway South, a senior-laden team that has gone undefeated through the tourney.

CBC, also undefeated, enters the tournament as the favorite to win. The Cadets have gone 10-0 with wins over several other teams in the tourney, including Vianney, SLUH, DeMet, Rockford Boylan and Chaminade. CBC won the tournament title in 1988.

"This gives you a good test to see where you're at," CBC coach Terry Michler said. "It's a barometer. It's a challenge that always provides a number of obstacles."

CBC leads a bracket that is arguably the toughest in the tournament. Group C contains the Cadets, Parkway South, Hazelwood Central and Rockford Boylan.

"Three of the top teams are in our bracket," Schulenberg said. "That bracket is going to be tough. I don't know much about Boylan, but I've heard some good things. It's going to be tough on whoever they face."

Two-time defending champion Vianney found that out once again last year. The Golden Griffins entered tournament play

with a 42-game unbeaten streak and exited with its second straight and fourth overall title, both tourney records.

But not before Hazelwood Central gave the Griffins a major scare in the semifinals. Vianney rallied from a 1-0 deficit in the first half to win 2-1 in overtime. The mighty Griffins drew the Cadets on the same day for the title 4-0.

"I think the Granite tournament is always tough to do well at," Vianney coach Mike Villa said. "You go up and down, and there's a lot of real good teams in this."

Villa projects CBC as the team to beat. The Cadets ended the 1988 unbeaten streak at 64 games last month.

"I don't think they're unbeatable, but it's certainly going to be a good test to beat them," Villa said. "They have to be the favorite."

The Golden Griffins are in Group A along with Chaminade, O'Fallon, SLUH and St. Mary's. The Warriors will square off Friday in a rematch from a 1-1 tie earlier this season.

Group B is made up of Granite City, O'Fallon, SLUH and St. Mary's. The Warriors will square off Friday in a rematch from a 1-1 tie earlier this season.

"This is what we want," Martel said. "There are so many solid teams. It's a great tournament; there's nowhere you can hide."

Group D contains Aquinas-Mercy, Rosary, Oakville and Francis Howell North. Oakville coach Dave Robben expects to see the usual level of competition.

"It's always an exciting tournament," the Robben said. "Gene Baker does an excellent job organizing it. It's always been a good midwestern tournament on both sides of the river."

The following is a brief look at each team competing in the Granite City Tournament of Champions this week:

Group A

Chaminade: The Flyers (1-1-1) are off to a slow start offensively, but they gave CBC a scare recently by taking a 1-0 lead into the second half and forcing overtime before losing 2-1.

The Flyers, coached by Mike Gavett, are led by forward Ben Bickley, a junior who scored 19 goals last year and made the all-Tournament of Champions team. He has one goal this year for the Flyers, who have lost twice in six games. Other key players include senior midfielder Mike Gavett, senior defender Matt Mattingly and senior goalkeeper Doug Heller.

McCluer North: Coach Ray Stahl's team has struggled this season. The Stars (2-0) have won Hazelwood West and Lafayette. The team's top scorer is senior forward Phil Drew, who has four goals and four assists. Senior fullback David Rupp has three goals and one assist. Goalie splitting time are senior Chris Alexander and junior John Vachey.

DeMet: The Spartans (5-2-1) are looking to improve on last year's 14-1 tournament record. The Spartans are led by senior Chris Klotz, senior defender and Craig Corbett. Corbett made the all-Tournament of Champions team.

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Chaminade, McCluer North, DeMet, Vianney.

Group B
St. Mary's, O'Fallon, Granite City, St. Louis I. High.

Group C
Parkway South, Hazelwood Central, Rockford Boylan.

Group D
Francis Howell North, Aquinas-Mercy, Rosary, Oakville.

Monday, Oct. 4
St. Mary's vs. O'Fallon, 3:15
Hazelwood Central vs. Parkway South, 4 p.m.
Vianney vs. Chaminade, 4:45
Granite City vs. SLUH, 7:45

Tuesday, Oct. 5
McCluer North vs. Chaminade, 3:15
O'Fallon vs. SLUH, 4
St. Mary's vs. Francis Howell North, 4:45
Aquinas-Mercy vs. Oakville, 6:15
Parkway South vs. CBC, 7:45

Wednesday, Oct. 6
Chaminade vs. Parkway South, 3:15
Rockford Boylan vs. Rockford Boylan, 4:45
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Thursday, Oct. 7
CBC vs. Hazelwood Central, 3:15
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Aquinas-Mercy vs. Rosary, 3:15
CBC vs. Rockford Boylan, 4:45
DeMet vs. Vianney, 6:15
Granite City vs. St. Mary's, 7:45

Saturday, Oct. 9
Group A winner vs. Group D winner, 9 a.m.
Group B winner vs. Group C winner, 11 a.m.
Third place game, 5 p.m.
Championship, 7 p.m.

Terry Eddemem Memorial Billiard League

Men's winter standings after 3 weeks			
A Division			
Leahy's	351	Ken's Lounge	293
Side Pocket #1	350	T.J.'s Bar	290
Gabby's #2	349	Fat Pat's	292
Side Pocket #2	348	Fat Pat's 103, T.J.'s Bar 94	
Gabby's #1	347	Wayride 110, Serrano 109	
Side Pocket #3	346	Ken's Lounge 108, Inn Between 101	
Sammy's	345	The V Lounge 107, Eddie's Lounge 98	
Mac's Bar	344	Al's 520, 115, 116, 118, 119, 120	
Bobby's	89	Al's 120 of Landing	96
		Runs From Break	
		Dave Cantoni/Fat Pat's	
		Ron Favier/Wayride (twice)	
B Division		D Division	
Gabby's #1 99, Side Pocket #1 97		Eddie's Lounge	346
Sammy's #11, Bobby's 89		Al's 520, 345	
Side Pocket #117, Side Pocket #2 92		Village Inn	344
Leahy's 120, Mac's Bar 70		Side Pocket	343
Joe Vaughan/Gabby's #1 (twice)		Mac's 12th St.	342
Bruce Patton/Side Pocket #1 (twice)		Straight Home	341
Alvin Edelman/Gabby's #1		Eddie's Lounge	339
Gene Dalton/Side Pocket #1		Wayride	338
Michelle/Side Pocket #1		Mac's 12th St.	337
Darren Huffman/Lenny's		Roland's 2nd St.	336
		Jerry Innings	335
		Steel Inn	334
		Polish Hall	276
C Division		E Division	
McMurphy's	342	Jerry Innings 104, Polish Hall 100	
Scatman's	341	Keith's 117, Village Inn 102	
El Gato	340	Polish Line 102, Mac's 12th St. 92	
Mac's Bar	339	Wayride 106, Eddie's Lounge 95	
Al's 520	315	Roland's 106, Inn Between 93	
Serrano	314	Rise 104, Eight Ball on Break	
Leahy's	281	Joe Berserman/Runs From Break	
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Mac's Bar	323	Buzz's	300
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Wayride	319	The Bar	299
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Wayride	315	McMurphy's	335
Eddie's Lounge	312	Top Top	326
Inn Between	301	Pat's Stampede	327
Top of Landing	298	Village Inn	290
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Spikers

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Granite City sophomore Jennifer Dallao dueled at the net three consecutive points.

Cavanaugh finished the first two rallies with hard spikes, then brought Dallao off balance with a tip just over the top of the net.

The Lancers tied the game at 15-15 when senior Kristen Todd blocked a spike attempt on a return by Granite City outside hitter Jennifer Willis. Dallao then served seven consecutive points, breaking the Lady Warriors' backs, and the Lancers hung on for an 15-11 victory.

Belleville East coach Larry Obenchain said the Lady Warriors' charge caught his team off balance, but Todd's leadership helped stabilize his team after the second game.

"Kristen brings a lot of enthusiasm to the team, and that's what we needed the most after losing the second game," Obenchain said. "Once we got our aggressiveness back, we started to make our passes and put things together."

"It was a victory. Granite City has improved across the board since the first time we played them. I don't look forward to playing them a third time."

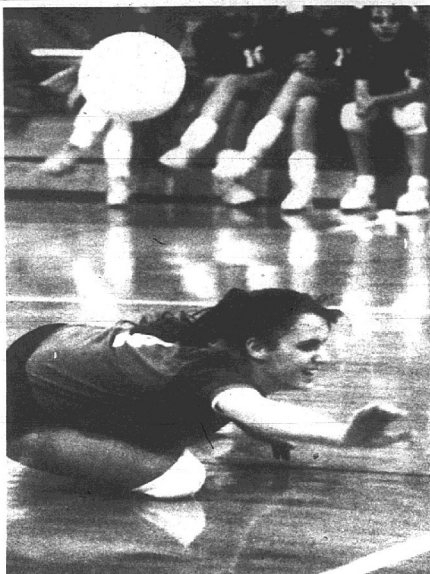
The win raised the Lancers' record to 14-1 on the season and improved their chances in the hunt for the SWC title.

Obenchain said he is pleased with his team's performance to date, but the Lancers face some crucial matches before the season ends.

"We still have to play Belleville West and Collinsville — two excellent teams — if we want to have a chance to win the conference title, and we're going to have to play better than we did tonight to make that happen," Obenchain said.

The Lady Warriors dropped to 5-6 with the loss, but Gagich said she feels her team could still be a threat.

"We've just had Jamie Cavanaugh back from an injury for about a week now, so it's hard to tell where we would be if we would have stayed healthy," Gagich said. "If we can play at or above .500 for the rest of the season, I think I would be satisfied. We still have a chance in the conference tournament if the breaks go our way."



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD) Lady Warrior junior Jill Helrich lunges to make a stop.



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Tri-City Speedway to conclude season with Racefest

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The 100-lap Pro Stock Nationals, "Outlaw" Modified Challenge and a 25-lap Winged 360 Sprint Car Championship highlight the racing card.

"WE HAVE HAD a great season and the floods took away the season for many fans in the area," Tri-City Speedway owner and promoter Bob Wentz said. "The event will give our fans and participants their last opportunity to enjoy one of the finest racing programs in the St. Louis area."

An early start of 4 p.m. is

planned to begin qualifying races for the 100-lap Pro Stock Nationals. The first races for the Winged 360 Sprints and "Outlaw" Modifieds start at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for students 11 to 17 and \$2 for children under 10. For more information, call Wentz Enterprises at (314) 947-7287.

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Births

Haleigh Wyro
Jim and Cindy Wyro of Granite City announced the birth of a girl, Haleigh Patricia, at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 10. Haleigh weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces, and joins 1 Spencer.

Allison Rose
Martin K. and Kim Rose of Granite City announced the birth of a girl, Allison Rose, at 11:30 a.m. Aug. 21, 1993. Hospital. The baby weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces, and joins Andrew Charles.

Emily Johnson
Mark and Kelly Johnson of Granite City announced the birth of a girl, Emily, at 1:30 p.m. Aug. 30, 1993, at St. John's Hospital. The baby weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces, and joins Blake Edward.

Taylor Miller
Marcey Miller of Granite City announced the birth of a fourth child, a daughter, Nicole, was born Aug. 30, 1993, at St. John's Hospital. The baby weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces, and joins Taylor, Michael, and Christopher.

Richard R. and Schooliey of Granite City announced the birth of a child, a daughter, Marie, was born Sept. 30, 1993, at St. John's Hospital. The baby weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces, and joins Taylor, Michael, and Christopher.

Harold Hughes of St. Louis announced the birth of a child, a daughter, Violet E. Hughes, was born Sept. 30, 1993, at St. John's Hospital. The baby weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces, and joins Taylor, Michael, and Christopher.

William 2. announced the birth of a child, a daughter, Violet E. Hughes, was born Sept. 30, 1993, at St. John's Hospital. The baby weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces, and joins Taylor, Michael, and Christopher.

Kelly Yeager and Dawn announced the birth of their second child, Kelly Eugene Jr., was born Sept. 30, 1993, at St. John's Hospital. The baby weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces, and joins Taylor, Michael, and Christopher.

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Births

Haleigh Wyrostek

Jim and Cindy Wyrostek of Granite City announce the birth of a girl, Haleigh Paxton, born at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 19, 1993, at Christian Hospital Northwest.

Haleigh weighed 6 pounds, 11 ounces, and joins Peter and Spencer.

Allison Rose

Martin K. and Kimberly A. Rose of Granite City announce the birth of a girl, born at 11:51 a.m. Aug. 21, 1993, at Barnes Hospital. The baby has been named Allison Christine. She weighed 7 pounds, 15 ounces, and joins Andrew Charles, 2½.

Emily Johnson

Mark and Kelly Johnson of Granite City announce the birth of a girl, born at 4:55 a.m. Aug. 30, 1993, at St. John's Mercy Medical Center. The baby has been named Emily Rachelle. She weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces, and joins Blake Edward.

Taylor Miller

Marcy Miller of Granite City has announced the birth of her fourth child, a daughter, Taylor Nicole was born Aug. 29, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City, and weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Helen Miller and Art Miller, both of Granite City.

Taylor joins Summer, 4; Michael, 2; and Christopher, 1.

Taylor Schooley

Richard R. and Joyce L. Schooley of Granite City have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter, Taylor Marie was born Sept. 8, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City.

The mother is the former Joyce L. Hughes.

Maternal grandparents are Harold Hughes of St. Louis and Violet E. Hughes of Granite City.

Paternal grandparents are William W. Schooley and Marilyn Schooley, both of Granite City.

Taylor joins brother, Tyler William, 2.

Kelly Yeager

Kelly and Dawn Yeager of Granite City have announced the birth of their second child, a son, Kelly Eugene Jr. was born Aug. 30, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City.

Center, Granite City, and weighed 7 pounds, 7 ounces.

The mother is the former Dawn Michelle Tomlin.

Maternal grandparents are Cecil and Sandy Tomlin of Granite City.

Paternal grandparents are Jerry and Mary Yeager Sr. of Stanton.

Kelly joins sister, Kameshia Leigh, 1.

Bradley Stone

Steven and Jana Stone of Granite City have announced their birth of their first child, a son, Bradley James was born Aug. 2, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City, and weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces.

The mother is the former Jana Harley.

Maternal grandparents are Keith Harley and Debbie Trebing, both of Granite City.

Paternal grandparents are Larry and Phyllis Stone of Mount Olive, Ill.

Emily Lofink

James and Katherine Lofink of Granite City announce the birth of a girl, born at 8:16 a.m. Aug. 1, 1993, at Jewish Hospital.

The baby has been named Emily Rose. She weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces, and joins Mary Margaret, 10; Joseph, 6; and Laura, 1½.



Winners in games at a vacation in Cobblestone Resort, Steeleville, Mo., attended by 26 seniors, were: first row, from left, Rosemary Breyer, pinocle and shuffleboard winner; Annabelle Patton, most beautiful legs; Helen Bergfield, most comically dressed; Helen Lipchik, tippo toss; Terry Hanneman, pass the trash; second row, Bill Zinn, hat dance; Ed Van Scoyk, ring toss; John Dezan, ring toss; James Lipchik, tippo toss; and Bud Strunk, bocce ball and shuffleboard.

Not present for photo were Gertrude Barkley, Helen Soroka and Evie Owens.

Local seniors vacation at resort

Twenty-six seniors enjoyed a five-day vacation at Cobblestone Resort in Steeleville, Mo. They traveled by bus.

Local vacationers were Helen Bergfield, trip coordinator; John Dezan and James and Helen Lipchik; Bill and Ann Zinn; Clifford Strunk; Mary Mize; Rosemary Breyer; Annabelle Patton; Margaret Kwiatkowski; Irene Kadane; Terry Hanneman; Marge Reutebuch; Mary Baumbarger; Evie Owens; Frank Baseden; Pauline Hanson; Jim Vrbac; Mary Blackshire; Gertrude Barkley; Mae-belle Borum; Helen Soroka and Ed and Glodene Van Scoyk, from Pontoon Beach.

They were joined in the festivities by Bob and Marilyn Lutes of McNabb, Ill., and James and Alice Kelly of Florissant, Mo.

The following games were enjoyed: bocce ball, pinocle, shuffleboard, ring toss, tippo toss,

pass the trash, horse racing, hat dance, hay rides, swimming, canoe and raft floats, dancing, bingo, crafting, hot dog races, movies, talent show, pokerno and balloon races.

Winners in games were Bud Strunk and Gertrude Barkley, bocce ball; Rosemary Breyer, pinocle; James and Helen Lipchik, tippo toss; John Dezan and Ed Van Scoyk, ring toss; Rosemary Breyer and Bud Strunk, shuffleboard; Terry Hanneman, pass the trash; Helen Soroka, horse racing; Evie Owens, and Bill Zinn, hat dance; Helen Bergfield, most comically dressed; and Annabelle Patton, most beautiful legs.

The group stopped at a winery on the first day and at an apple cider shop on the way home.

The last evening at the resort was celebrated with a candle-light dinner, champagne and dance party.

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TUES., NOV. 9

"Understanding Medicare: A Practical Approach," presented by Connie Heinle, Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Illinois
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Polish Hall Dancers will perform today



Kathy Dohnal

Kathy Dohnal covers the Madison-Venice scene for the Press-Record/Journal. Articles can be sent to 2108 Lynch or she can be contacted at 780-3077.

The Polish Hall Dancers performed on Saturday, Sept. 16, at the annual outdoor barbecue of St. Stanislaus Lodge 1004.

Performing for the first time were Stephanie Dohnal and Courtney Dohnal. Others performing were Geoffrey and Michael Lux, Linda Dohnal, Frankie Holmes, Sonny and Cookie Fields, Robyn Fields, Elizabeth Woytes, Dennis and Andrew Bisto, Jessica Bathon, Jennifer and David Hartwick, Natalie Ruesing, Hannah and William Kutosky, Brittany Kutt and Becky Guenther. Susie Holmes is the dance instructor.

The group will be performing on Sunday, Oct. 3, at the Ethnic Festival at Belleville Area College's Granite City Campus.

The Glik Retirees met on Thursday, Sept. 16, at Ravalenti's Restaurant for lunch and an afternoon of cards. A get-well card was sent to Doris Wilson. Attending were Neil Talley, Mary Moore, Mary Bamberger, Vi Spicer, Ida Dant, Freda Hicks, Leslie Dorich, Juanita Rosenberg, Sue Williams, Alberta Mikolaszuk and Jane Duncan.

The Quilting Club met for a get-together on Wednesday, Sept. 15, at the home of Vera Sikora. Dessert was served and games were played. Attending were Mary Domanski, Mary Ann Bunk, Mary Venorsky, Catherine Measli, Katie Sueich and Marie Syzmek.

Revival to start at Cedar View Baptist

A revival will be held this week at Cedar View General Baptist Church, Pontoon Beach. Rev. Sam Williams from Joliet, Ill., is the evangelist. There will be special singing each night. Services begin at 7 p.m. Sunday morning. There will be a Sunday school picnic in the afternoon at Wilson Park.

Best Buy CORRECTION NOTICE

On the front cover of the October 3rd Best Buy newspaper insert, "The Beatles' Greatest Hits 1962-66 (2 CD Set on Capitol) and 1967-70 (2 CD Set on Capitol)" was advertised as being available starting 10/03/93. These CD sets are actually available starting Tuesday, October 5th.

We are sorry for any inconvenience this error may have caused.



Volunteers — Area residents Clara Hohrein of Lebanon, Frances Dittle of Belleville, Erma Jaekel of Belleville and Rose Mary Breyer and Elizabeth Gargac of Granite City received recognition for 15 years of volunteer service to the community at the 1993 Retired Senior Volunteer Program awards ceremony recently in Belleville. Approximately 800 of the 1,100 RSVP volunteers attended the luncheon.

Trio Club hears about clothes pricing

The Trio Club of Madison County Homemakers Extension met Sept. 7 at Hope Lutheran Church with 38 members in attendance. Hostesses were Eve Loman, Naomi Chapman, Virginia Little and Mildred Tally.

Helen Miller and Vivian Fureshee, unit leaders, gave a presentation on "What's Behind the Price Tag?" Emphasis was placed on the current clothing market regarding quality, quantity and pricing.

President Doris Anderson opened the regular meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A report of the previous meeting was given by Lucille Sackett in the absence of the regular secretary, Treasurer Louise Anderson gave the treasurer's report.

Dorothy Kinney, community outreach chairman, reported that Protestant Welfare is in dire need of voluntary help.

Anderson made an announcement about the officers training school Sept. 18 at the Farm Bureau Auditorium in Edwardsville.

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The Old Six Mile Historical Society meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 4, at the Central Christian Church, 2020 Johnson Road. Linda Koenig Mizell will trace the development and history of the American Bottom to the time of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. There will be a fun white elephant sale and auction with Elmer and Judy Stille in charge. Lillian Delps, Ruth Jensen and Freda Burgdorf will serve refreshments.

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John J. Vassen
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10:25 a.m. Drug Interaction
Dennis Mensinger, R.Ph.
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11 a.m. **KEYNOTE SPEAKER**
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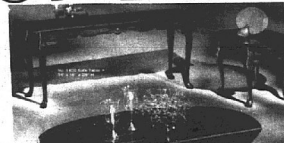
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Orient yourself to tasty Asian cuisine

Asian cuisine is one of interesting contrasts: salty and sour with sweet, crisp compared with tender, vibrant colors next to pale neutrals.

This intriguing way of cooking is enhanced by using surimi seafood—an Asian staple that dates back 1,000 years. Known locally as sea legs or imitation crab, surimi's taste adapts well to any flavor with which it is paired. Precooked, it can be prepared in an instant, making it ideal for wok cooking. Its reddish-pink color adds brightness to each dish, too.

Surimi seafood is available in crab, lobster and shrimp flavors, but it begins as a lean, low-fat, white-fleshed fish—primarily Alaskan pollock—that is minced, flavored, then shaped. It is found usually in the frozen food and fresh seafood sections of supermarkets. It weighs a light 85 to 90 calories for a 3½-ounce serving with very little fat.

Much Asian cuisine is health-conscious and food is cooked quickly with a small amount of oil. One exception is Tempura, a method of deep-frying bite-sized pieces of meat or vegetable in a puffy, crisp coating that is neither greasy nor soggy.

The batter can be stirred together in a free moment and refrigerated until needed. The oil must be hot enough to cook the foods in a minute or so.

It should be eaten immediately, without waiting for everyone to be served. This cooking method gets everyone involved, as individuals can plan what they will eat in just minutes.

Wontons, small dumplings, are usually associated with soup, but they make a wonderful appetizer or snack. A colorful filling of spinach, surimi seafood and ricotta cheese is made quickly in a food processor, then used to

stuff wonton skins, available in the fresh produce section of a supermarket. These are baked only 5 minutes to keep fat and calories low. Serve them with a bold Orange Soy Dipping Sauce and watch them disappear.

Tempura

1 cup sifted flour
1½ tsp. baking powder
2 eggs, beaten
½ cup ice water
2 cups peanut oil
1 cup sesame oil

Dipper: Imitation crab or lobster (surimi) seafood in chunk style, broccoli flowerets, sliced mushrooms, onion rings or wedges, red or green bell pepper strips or squares, and sweet potato, thinly sliced and quartered.

Condiments: hot mustard, sweet-and-sour sauce and soy sauce.

In wok, heat oils to 375°. Using chopsticks, fondue forks or bamboo skewers, dip food in batter, drain excess and cook in oil about 2 minutes until puffed and brown. Drain on paper towels.

Serve immediately with favorite condiment.

Note: Oil is hot enough when 1-inch cube of bread browns in 50 to 60 seconds. It takes about 5 minutes to heat to this temperature.

Spinach seafood wontons

½ pkg. (10 oz.) frozen chopped spinach, thawed, very well drained
8 oz. imitation crab or lobster (surimi) seafood, chunk style
½ cup ricotta cheese
1 tbsp. rice vinegar
1 clove garlic, sliced
½ tsp. nutmeg
3 dozen wonton skins, thawed if necessary

Preheat oven to 425°.

In food processor, process spinach, seafood, ricotta, vinegar, garlic and nutmeg until smooth. Place 2 teaspoons surimi mixture in center of wonton skin. Lightly brush edges with water.

Gently bring wonton corners together at top, twisting tightly to seal. Repeat until skins and filling are used. Place on baking sheet. Lightly spray top of each wonton with butter-flavored nonstick cooking spray. Bake in preheated oven 5 minutes.

Serve warm or at room temperature with Orange-Soy Dipping Sauce.

Makes 3 dozen.

Note: Filled wontons, unbaked, can be frozen. To use, thaw and bake as directed.

Orange Soy Dipping Sauce: Combine ¼ cup orange juice and ¼ cup soy sauce. Place 1 teaspoon cornstarch in small saucepan. Over low heat, gradually stir in soy mixture until smooth. Add 1 clove garlic, chopped. Cook, stirring constantly, over medium-low heat until mixture comes to boil. Boil 1 minute. Serve warm or at room temperature. Makes ½ cup.



Seafood and vegetables in chunks make instant successes when they are dipped in a versatile batter and fried for a quick finish.

School menus

Granite City Public Schools

Monday — Breakfast: Cereal, french fries, apple slices.
Tuesday — Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, sliced apples; lunch: Nuggets, corn on the cob, sliced peaches.

Wednesday — Breakfast: Cinnamon toast, sliced peaches; lunch: Manager's choice.

Thursday — Breakfast: Biscuit and gravy, french fruit; lunch: Taco salad with cheese, lettuce and tomato, sliced carrots, chilled pears.

Friday — Breakfast: Cereal, fruit cup; lunch: Grilled cheese sandwich, tomato soup, french fruit.

Madison Public Schools

Monday — Breakfast: Cereal, juice; lunch: Hamburger on bun, chili slices, corn, apple sauce.

Tuesday — Breakfast: Hot cinnamon, rice, juice; lunch: Pizza, tossed salad, mixed fruit.

Wednesday — Breakfast: Cereal, juice; lunch: Fried chicken, french fries, blueberry cobbler, bread.

Thursday — Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, toast, juice; lunch: Chili and crackers, peanut butter sandwich, carrot and celery sticks, peaches.

Friday — Breakfast: Toasted bagel, cream cheese, juice; lunch: Tuna salad sandwich, buttered noodles, peas, fruit gelatin.

Holy Family

Monday — Burger on bun, slice of cheese, corn, potato chips, pickles, peaches.

Tuesday — Ravioli with meat sauce, lettuce salad, corn, buttered bread, chocolate pudding.

Wednesday — Fried chicken, potatoes and gravy, green beans, buttered bread, orange jello.

Thursday — Taco salad with meat, cheese, lettuce and tomato, peanut butter sandwich, apple sauce, piece of Texas sheet cake.

Friday — Nachos with cheese sauce, salad, peanut butter sandwich, cherry cobbler.

St. Elizabeth

Monday — Steak nuggets, buttered bread, peas, peach cobbler.

Tuesday — Chef salad with crackers, garlic and cheese bread, fruit gelatin, gougout day.

Wednesday — Hog dog on bun, pork and beans, potato sticks, mixed fruit cup.

Thursday — Spaghetti with meat sauce, tossed salad, garlic bread, peaches.

Friday — Nachos and cheese, garlic and cheese bread, corn, raisins, brownies.

Head Start

Monday — Breakfast: Orange juice, biscuit, sausage patty; lunch: Beef ravioli with sauce, pears, carrots, roll; snack: Vegetable sticks, dip.

Tuesday — Breakfast: Apple juice, raisin bran; lunch: Cubed chicken, citrus salad, spinach, noodles; snack: Peanut butter, raisins, saltine crackers.

Wednesday — Breakfast:

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Circle begins new study year

The Evening Circle of First Presbyterian Church met in the home of Gladys Pope, Chairman Betty Schmucke, opened the meeting with prayer and introduced new study material entitled "Prayers of the Bible for a Faithful Journey."

Nine biblical prayers have been selected as the focus for this year's study.

Reports were read by Bette Rea, secretary, and Florence Austin, treasurer.

Final plans were discussed for a birthday party held Sept. 24 for residents of the Colonades Nursing Home, hosted by the Morning Circle and Evening Circle of the church.

Members were reminded of a worldwide communion service to be held at First Presbyterian Church at 10 a.m. Oct. 3. An ethnic buffet will be enjoyed in the fellowship hall following the service.

The annual chicken dinner will be held Oct. 23 and the annual bazaar will be held Nov. 6, both at the church.

The first of a series of concerts to be presented by First Presbyterian Church will be at 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31. It will feature Jack Jenkins, organist for the Fox Theater, St. Louis, with the latest technology of acoustic instrument simulation enhancing the traditional pipe organ.

The second half of the concert will feature a Halloween movie tribute to the film classic, "The Phantom of the Opera."

Fellowship of the Least Coin monies were collected by Florence Austin, who led the group in prayer.

The evening lesson, "A Prayer of Promise," was presented by Betty Schmucke. The lesson ended in prayer.

The gathering closed as the members formed a circle and repeated the Mizpah.

Refreshments were served by the hostess to Florence Austin, Gladys Fuhrman, Burdine Holzschner, June Jones, Barbara Landis, Lulu Mills, Betty Rea, Betty Schmucke, Vee Throne and Shirley Yates.

Lyerla family holds reunion

The 14th annual Lyerla reunion was held Sept. 5 at Wilson Park.

Games were played, and a pot luck dinner was served to all who attended.

Those from Granite City were Edward Lyerla, Margaret (Lyerla) Dudley and Charles Russell; Aline (Lyerla) Dooley; Tom and Pat Dooley and sons, Floyd and Tommy; Scott Tripp and Chris Fox; Jim and Joan Slavton and son, Dwayne; Richard and Brenda Dooley and family, Lisa, Richie and friend, Tracy Davis; Linda Whitford and family; Amy and Amanda Dionea.

Charles and Mary Jo Holt and Brittany attended from Madison; Ronald and Sharon Dudley and son, Ronnie Dudley, from Cedar Lake, Ind.; Bob and Juanita (Lyerla) Combs from New Boston, Ill.; Ervin and Sharon Dudley and children, Tammy and Kim Dudley, from Warrenville, Ill.; Mike and Shirley Smith from Jonesboro, Ill.; and Garry and Rhonda Dooley and son, from Edwardsville.

SIUE names Dean's College members

Six students have been admitted to the Dean's College at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

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Summerstage is presenting its first production of the 1993-94 theatrical season, "The Mouse Trap," by Agatha Christie.

This is one of the best plays ever written by Christie; in fact it is the longest running play in London's West End Theatre District.

The play is set in an old mansion which is now converted to a guest house by its young, inexperienced owners, Giles and Mollie Ralston.

One by one the guests arrive, with each of them obtaining odd

quirks unique to only themselves. Suddenly the heavy snow fall turns into a mighty blizzard, stranding the house and its inhabitants away from civilization.

Finally a strapping, young police detective arrives on skis with news that haunts everyone: There is a killer among them.

But who is it? Is it one of the characters on stage? Or is the killer sitting next to you in the dark audience?

Summerstage presents this play just in time to begin the

Halloween season. Performances were scheduled for Friday.

Saturday and today, as well as next Friday and Saturday, Oct. 8 and 9. Curtain is at 7:30 p.m. All tickets are \$6.

Cast members are Beth Bodnam, George Cochran, Nancy Connelly, Marty Eckard, Bobby Fithen, Mark Lull, Dan Pascoe and Ann Scott. The production is directed by Marty Eckard with Tracy Ellis, assistant director and stage manager.

Nurses alumni group resumes meeting

The monthly meetings of the St. Elizabeth Nurses Alumni Association were resumed Sept. 16 in the President's Room at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

Election of officers for the next year was held. The new officers are Genevieve Phillips, president; Shirley Wendel, vice president; Alberta Ronkey, secretary; and Helen Gages, treasurer.

Plans were made for the meetings to be held through 1993. The October meeting will be a dinner meeting at Brenda's Restaurant. The November meeting will be held at SEMC at 7 p.m. in the Presidents Room.

The Christmas party will be at 6 p.m. Dec. 6 at Brenda's Restaurant.

Hostesses for the meeting were Dorothy Bruce, Alberta Ronkey and Helen Gages.

Present were Cecilia Hanrahan, Delores Stalecker, Myrlene Kitz, Dorothy Bruce, Ruth Smith, Frances Robbers, Cleo Schneckle, Alma Ryan, Dorothy Cruse, Elvers Walck, Rose Marie Magy, Jackie Haug, Dorothy Lewis, Alberta Ronkey, Helen Gages and Shirley Wendel.

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Horoscope

The moon is in Taurus work in the garden.

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best price. Only the will be grumpy today.

ARIES (March 21-19)

What matters is not ting off to a fast start, fishing what you beg in pleasant surround make a difference.

TAURUS (April 20-19)

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GEMINI (May 21-19)

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CANCER (June 21-19)

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

ground in your person manage your funds fresh fruits and vegetables.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

ated. If you're having special, take a chance nothing like feeling like

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

of harm's way. Building your could be overdoing is beneficial. Stick with

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

yourself you've given friends and family of your body and mind.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

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PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

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Horoscope

Sunday, Oct. 3

The moon is in Taurus, so people with green thumbs who like to work in the garden will have a field day making things grow. Those who love to park slothfully in front of the TV will be more immobile than ever. Food lovers should have a great time. Shoppers unite and hunt for the best price. Only the stubborn will be grumpy today.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): What matters is not just getting off to a fast start but finishing what you begin. Being in pleasant surroundings can make a difference in your outlook. Money, fame and power could fall short of healing your soul.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You get to bring your inner desires and outer conditions into greater alignment. More of life comes the way you like it. Shop for the kids, but know that giving them affection is even more valuable than what you buy.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): You are worthy of financial success and it comes when you know exactly what you want and develop a plan you can stick with. The quickest way to eliminate bitterness is to forgive those who have hurt you.

CANCER (June 22-July 22): Peaceful, harmonious thinking solves both family and neighborhood problems. Good news is likely. You don't have to know someone well to be able to help him or her. Let things down to remember.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): If you're proud of your earning ability, you might as well show it off — just get value for your money. Inspiration comes at odd times. Do what you can to take advantage of low-interest loans while fantastic buys in real estate are likely.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 3): Surprising fortune and determination put money in your pocket or help you pass your ideal companion. Honors come in October and November. Diplomatic skills serve you well in December and February. In '94, you are all things to all people. Be tolerant and forgiving. Love and romance come in March and June. Travel broadens your perspective in May and July. Recognition is important in September.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Make sure you are standing on solid ground in your personal life. Taurus may be able to help you manage your funds; if not, heed your own advice! Eating lots of fresh fruits and vegetables keeps you in tip-top shape.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23): Small kindnesses are deeply appreciated. If you're harboring secret feelings of love for someone special, take a chance, and express your true feelings. There's nothing like feeling in control of your life. Learn about tax laws.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21): Low-profile activities keep you out of harm's way. Build up your bank account of love, so to speak — you could be overdrawn and not know it. Getting more rest today is beneficial. Stick with tried-and-true methods.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You can reclaim a part of yourself you've given away to others. In the long run, letting friends and family define you can be detrimental to the health of your body and mind. Help the needy when you are able.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Good can come out of any situation, even an irreparable act of nature. Your faith pulls you through when your mind is full of negative thoughts. Even if you can't assist everyone, do what you can — you'll feel better.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): One way to neutralize fear is by drowning it out with a positive, affirming thought. Your life comes into balance when you begin letting go of the painful past. Steadily work habits are essential if you want to go all the way.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Today's earthy energy restores your emotional equilibrium and may put money into your purse as well. Even if you are retired, you still have knowledge and wisdom, which are invaluable to our country.

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St. Louis helps launch De Niro as director

By Harry Hamm
Correspondent

When Robert De Niro's new film "A Bronx Tale" was being shown in rough-cut form to test audiences, one of the cities chosen was St. Louis.

The screening was May 27 at AMC's St. Louis Galleria Theatre. De Niro himself flew into town for the screening. He entered the theater through a rear entrance, after the film began, avoiding several thousand shoppers and dozens of fans who had heard the two-time Oscar winner would be on hand.

There were even a handful of fledgling screenwriters near the lobby with screenplays in hand, hoping for a chance to have a word with the famed actor, who recently has added directing and producing to his line of formidable credits.

De Niro was not only pleased with the St. Louis audience's response, but with the treatment he received from Galleria Theatre general manager Jim

Kinsey and his staff. Several weeks after the event, Kinsey received an autographed, framed photograph of De Niro.

"A Bronx Tale" is an important film for De Niro. It marks his debut as a film director. It is also the sixth film to be produced by De Niro's new production company, Tribeca.

"A Bronx Tale" is a semi-autobiographical story by writer-actor Chazz Palminteri, who appears in the film and wrote the screenplay. Palminteri plays a character named Sonny, a gangster in the Bronx area of New York City who befriended a 9-year-old boy. The boy, who is the son of De Niro's character, witnesses a shooting involving Sonny, yet refuses to identify the mob figure to police.

"It wasn't always easy," the soft-spoken De Niro recalled, "but we felt it would be important to shoot the entire film in New York City."

"Chazz knew the streets and the elements of the story better than anyone," De Niro said. "So

we stayed around locations in Astoria, Queens, in recreating the Belmont section of the Bronx from the '60s."

De Niro said many of the Astoria residents didn't appreciate the disruptions of the film crew in the neighborhood, especially when the late-night shooting schedule went into the wee hours.

But casting himself both as director and peacemaker, De Niro was able to smooth over the ruffled tempers of the residents. Some of that smoothing included hiring some of them for roles as extras. A few neighborhood folks even got speaking roles.

Looking back, Palminteri says he's fortunate his story fell into the capable hands of De Niro.

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Granite City Senior High School sophomores and juniors will have an opportunity on Oct. 12 to take the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test and National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT).

The PSAT/NMSQT measures verbal and math reasoning abilities important to doing college work. The test includes two 30-minute verbal sections and two 30-minute math sections, according to Sheryl Evans, a counselor at Granite City High School.

The PSAT/NMSQT gives students the opportunity to qualify for scholarship recognition and for enrichment programs, such as Merit Scholarships, Achievement Scholarships and the National Hispanic Scholar Recognition Program.

Monday, Oct. 11, and Tuesday, Oct. 12, are both non-attendance days. The Madison County Teachers' Institute will be held on Oct. 12.

Students may register before school for the PSAT/NMSQT until Oct. 5. An \$8 fee is payable at the time of registration.

It is recommended, but optional, that students bring calculators to the test site. Any function, scientific or graphing calculator is permitted. However, students may not use calculators with paper tape or printers, handheld mini computers, pocket organizers or lap-top computers. Students who wish to take the PSAT/NMSQT should have a grade point average of 4.5 or higher.

The test will begin at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 12, and will end at approximately 11 a.m.

For more information, contact Sheryl Evans in the high school guidance office at 451-5808, extension 48.

Baptist Association holds annual meeting

Lucille Martin covers the Pontoon Beach scene for the Press-Record/Journal. She can be contacted at 831-0731.

The Madison County Baptist Association's 49th annual meeting was held Monday and Tuesday evenings. The theme for both sessions was "Share Heritage and Hope Serving in Christ's Spirit."

On Monday evening the program order was: welcome and opening prayer, call to order, seating of messengers, adoption of program, the introduction of new staff members, music, presentation and adoption of department reports, Baptist Children's Home report, board of director's report and clerk recognition.

On Tuesday evening the program was: opening prayer, call to order, singing and prayer calendar followed by Bible study, director of missions report and challenge by Robert Carter, presentation and adoption of standing committee reports, election of officers, presentation of resolutions, music by Grace Baptist Choir, a piano solo, Pontoon Beach Lions Club will be known as Pontoon Beach Lions Club II. This change was made because the club had become split down the middle between those who wanted power to vote as the Lions do and others who only wanted to work together.

Celebrates 66th birthday

Erica Nicole Cook celebrated her sixth birthday Aug. 18 in the home of her parents, Bob and Denise.

The theme was "Beauty and the Beast." Those in attendance were her sister, Alexis; her maternal grandparents, Herb and Irene Wein; grandparents, Maryann and Rich Spleck; Rosie Spleck; Mary Bellue; Cheryl and Dan Folkers; Bob and Dee Fichte; Nancy and Mary Ann Gray; Don and Tracy Cook; Marissa Cook; Mark Bess; and Elaine and Brian Foreman.



Lucille Martin

refreshments were served, courtesy of Pontoon Baptist Church.

Ridgecrest by the River is planned for Oct. 14 through Oct. 16 at the First Baptist Church, 1111 E. Highway 50, O'Fallon. If you have any questions call John Knapp at 877-0567.

Louise Haynes has returned home from Camby, Ind., where she spent a few days visiting her son and his family, David and Pauletta Haynes and daughters, Amanda and Alice.

Soon you will be reading about a new Granite City Lions Club. A new charter of Pontoon Beach Lions Club will be known as Pontoon Beach Lions Club II. This change was made because the club had become split down the middle between those who wanted power to vote as the Lions do and others who only wanted to work together.

and serve the community as best they could. That is why the club divided.

Members want to thank everyone who gave them a helping hand. Hopefully you will help them grow to become a better club than before. They are very proud of the new Lions Club II and that of their sponsoring Pontoon Beach Lions. Until they get their own bingo, they will be at Knights of Columbus Hall on Wednesday nights helping the Pontoon Beach Lions with their bingo.

Games were played at the Pontoon Beach Senior Citizen Hall Saturday evening during the dinner meeting. A pot luck dinner was served to Bill and Ruth Dagon, Bob and Genny Alford, Otto and Corrine Kreher, Carl and Jean Horstmeier, Everett and Alice Hudson, Lottie Ostich, Laureale Purcell, Ruby Hocking, Birdie Taton, Helen Cholewick, Leona Bell, Florence Stewart, Edna Webster, George and Gladys Bass, Stanley and Loretta Golab, Bob Graves, Nora Birtley, Sylvia Massman, John Mainor, Andy Surmeda, Bill and Naomi James and Irene Weber.

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Tips from Frank's experts on Preserving Fall

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Where Beautiful Things Begin

When asked what their favorite time of year is, a good many people will say fall. For folks who don't like the heat, fall offers relief. It's also ideal for those who don't care for winter. Let's face it, with the generally gorgeous weather and spectacular scenery, it's no wonder fall's a favorite of so many.

About the most popular fall activity is drying flowers. The brilliant colors fade into delicate, airy textures, leaving bare branches and gloomy skies. There's not a whole lot any of us can do about that, but we can extend the season's beauty by preserving it. And this is done by drying flowers, fruits and more.

Before we begin, we should point out that while drying methods, drying time will vary with different size flowers and foliage. Also, remember that the more delicate a flower was on the plant, the more delicate it will be when dried. Handle all dried flowers and foliage with care.

Drying flowers is actually quite simple. Cut the plant materials in the morning, after the dew has dried. Be sure the cut flowers have at least 8-inch stems.

Silica Gel contains sand-like crystals that absorb moisture from flowers and leaves, while allowing the flower to retain its natural shape and color. Simply pour 1 to 1 1/2 inches of silica gel into an air tight container, place the flowers and foliage (with stems cut to 1 to 2 inches) in the silica gel and cover the rest of the item to be dried with silica gel. Be careful when adding silica gel so as not to disturb petals and leaves, but gently cover them. Then cover the container and leave until dry. Small flowers will require two to three days, while larger ones may take as long as a week to dry.

The drying process can be speeded up by using a microwave. Pour the silica gel as above, into a microwave safe container. Glass dishes work

especially well. Place the flowers in the silica gel and cover with more silica gel above. Place the container in the center of the microwave with a small glass jar filled with water in the back of the oven. Following the operating instructions for the microwave, set it to medium-high and start it. Be sure to refill the water in the glass if it evaporates. Also, be aware of drying times. Small flowers require about 1 to 2 minutes, medium 2 to 3 minutes, and large ones 3 or more. Be very careful when you take the container out of the oven, it and the silica gel will be very hot. Set the container on a heat resistant surface and do not disturb until the silica gel is cool. Flowers will continue to dry after the gel cools. If the flowers don't feel quite dry after they've cooled, repeat the process.

Air Drying Place flowers in a dry, dimly lit, well-ventilated area. Some flowers dry just by being placed in empty wire. Place the stems of others through a suspended, wide-mesh screen like chicken wire. Spread a single layer of leafy perennials such as Lamb's Ears onto a fine-meshed screen. Plants take about ten days to dry using this method. Hanging bundles of plants upside down is another method of air drying. Secure stems tightly with a rubber band so they stay bundled as they dry and shrink. Most blooms take about 1 to 2 weeks to dry when using this technique.

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